

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Baseball Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

#### I) Assignment of Schools to Districts and Regions

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in baseball for boys, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to March 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. The alignment shall begin with the 2005-2006 school year, and shall be reviewed upon the request of a member school with a request concerning that particular school on a biennial basis (every two years). The entire alignment shall be reviewed with changes to be in effect for the 2009-2010 school year and every four years thereafter. In the interim, newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment in baseball is as follows —

##### REGION 1

District 1 - Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County  
District 2 - Heath, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland  
District 3 - Ballard Memorial, Graves County, Mayfield, St. Mary  
District 4 - Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian (Paducah), Marshall County, Murray

##### REGION 2

District 5 - Crittenden County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Trigg County  
District 6 - Henderson County, Union County, Webster County  
District 7 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins  
District 8 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

##### REGION 3

District 9 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic  
District 10 - McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County  
District 11 - Breckinridge County, Frederick Fraize, Hancock County, Meade County  
District 12 - Butler County, Edmonson County, Grayson County, Trinity (Whitesville)

##### REGION 4

District 13 - Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central  
District 14 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, Warren Central, Warren East  
District 15 - Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Glasgow, Monroe County  
District 16 - Clinton County, Cumberland County, Metcalfe County, Russell County

##### REGION 5

District 17 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin  
District 18 - Caverna, Green County, Hart County, Larue County  
District 19 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Washington County  
District 20 - Adair County, Campbellsville, Marion County, Taylor County

##### REGION 6

District 21 - Beth Haven, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley, Western  
District 22 - DeSales (B), Doss, Evangel Christian (\*), Iroquois  
District 23 - Butler, Central, Portland Christian  
District 24 - Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Fairdale, North Bullitt, Southern

##### REGION 7

District 25 - DuPont Manual, Louisville Collegiate, Male, St. Xavier

District 26 - Atherton, Fern Creek, Moore, Whitefield Academy  
District 27 - Ballard, Seneca, Trinity (Louisville) (B), Waggener  
District 28 - Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day

##### REGION 8

District 29 - North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham, Trimble County  
District 30 - Anderson County, Eminence, Shelby County, Spencer County  
District 31 - Carroll County, Gallatin County, Henry County, Owen County  
District 32 - Grant County, Simon Kenton, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

##### REGION 9

District 33 - Boone County, Conner, Heritage, Cooper, Ryle, St. Henry District  
District 34 - Dixie Heights, Lloyd Memorial, Ludlow, Villa Madonna  
District 35 - Beechwood, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington)  
District 36 - Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic

##### REGION 10

District 37 - Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Scott, Silver Grove  
District 38 - Harrison County, Nicholas County, Pendleton County  
District 39 - Augusta, Bracken County, Mason County, St. Patrick  
District 40 - Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Paris

##### REGION 11

District 41 - Frankfort, Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County  
District 42 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County  
District 43 - Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Dunbar, Bates Creek  
District 44 - Berea, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

##### REGION 12

District 45 - Boyle County, Danville, Garrard County, Lincoln County  
District 46 - Burgin, East Jessamine, Mercer County, West Jessamine  
District 47 - Casey County, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Somerset  
District 48 - McCreary Central, Monticello, Southwestern, Wayne County

##### REGION 13

District 49 - Clay County, Jackson County, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist, Red Bird  
District 50 - Corbin, South Laurel, Whitley County, Williamsburg  
District 51 - Barbourville, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Pineville  
District 52 - Bell County, Harlan, Harlan County, Middlesboro

##### REGION 14

District 53 - Cordia, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central  
District 54 - Buckhorn, Hazard, Leslie County, Perry County Central  
District 55 - Breathitt County, Jackson City, Riverside Christian, Wolfe County  
District 56 - Estill County, Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County

##### REGION 15

District 57 - Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark  
District 58 - Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg, South Floyd  
District 59 - East Ridge, Pikeville, Shelby Valley  
District 60 - Belfry, Phelps, Pike County Central

##### REGION 16

District 61 - Bath County, Fleming County, Menifee County, Rowan County  
District 62 - East Carter, Elliott County, Morgan County, West Carter  
District 63 - Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Russell  
District 64 - Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Fairview, Rose Hill  
(\*) - Not eligible for postseason play

#### II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments

District tournament sites shall be selected by a site selection plan

approved by a unanimous vote of the schools eligible to compete in each district tournament. If a district is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Board of Control shall establish a plan.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and having a schedule of ten (10) or more baseball games shall be allowed to vote for the district tournament location or participate in the tournament.

Criteria to be considered by the schools for the district tournament include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance. In addition, all sites shall meet the published site selection criteria baseball as posted on the KHSAA web site.

District tournament play shall begin not later than Monday of the week on the KHSAA Calendar for district tournaments. Permission may be obtained from the KHSAA office to start later than that date only in the event of facility conflicts. Tournaments may begin on the weekend prior if the schools concur and it alleviates facility conflicts.

The Commissioner shall determine the regional and semi-state tournament sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional or semi-state tournament shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year tournaments. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites.

A two-thirds vote is necessary to adopt any plan for recommending the tournament sites and voting shall include all schools within a region, not simply the schools playing in a particular year's event. Criteria to be considered by the schools include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance. In addition, all sites shall meet the published site selection criteria baseball as posted on the KHSAA web site.

The schools in the region shall agree on the amount of proceeds (if any) that is to be kept by the host school as well as limitations on expenses by the host school; determining the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each school that participates; the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each team in the region not competing in the tournament; and the disbursement of any proceeds from commissions, parking, advertising and any other revenue related to the tournament but not directly related to ticket, program or novelty sales. Resolution as to disputes on any of these issues may be facilitated by the Commissioner's office and if agreement cannot be reached, may be considered by the Board of Control.

Regional tournament play shall begin not later than Tuesday of the week on the KHSAA Calendar for region tournaments. Permission may be obtained from the KHSAA office to start later than that date only in the event of facility conflicts.

The semi-state tournaments shall be conducted, one game per night, on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the week on the KHSAA Calendar for semi-state tournaments. A complete rain/postponement schedule is published for the managers of the events as part of the postseason instructions.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournament after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

All tournaments shall be held on or as near the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar as local conditions permit. Any exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner.

### III) Tournament Managers

The principal of the host school shall designate an official of the school to serve as the manager for each district tournament. The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional and semi-state tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each district and regional tournament manager to invite representatives of the participating teams in the tournament to a meeting held for the purpose of making tournament plans. The semi-state series manager shall coordinate communication between

the host school the two participating teams to assure the smooth conduct of the event.

It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The representatives of the schools participating in each tournament, by majority vote, shall set the dates and times of the games, and make all other arrangements necessary to conduct the tournament. The Commissioner will direct a drawing and all of the business necessary to conduct the state tournament.

### IV) District Tournament Seeding Regulations

A) For district tournaments with three teams, the district tournament shall be seeded in accordance with the following three-team seeding regulations:

- 1) Each team in a three-team district is required to play the other two teams in the district in two contests each year, at mutually agreed sites. These games will produce a uniform means of ranking the teams by seed within these districts.
- 2) The team with the highest seed (one seed) receives a bye in the district tournament, and advances to the championship game.
- 3) The remaining two teams would play in the first round of the district tournament with the loser of that game being eliminated.
- 4) In the case of a two-way tie for the district winning position, the winner in the second game played between the tied district opponents would have the higher finishing position.
- 5) In the case of a three-way tie for the district winning position, the tie would be resolved in the following manner. If any of the tie-breakers results in one of the teams being ahead of the other two, the tie is broken. If any of the tie-breakers result in two teams remaining ahead of the third, then the two-way tie breaker shall be used to determine the winner between those two.
  - a) The tie-breaking mechanisms (in order) shall be:
    - i) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the second game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - ii) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the first game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - iii) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in all seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - iv) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in the second of each of the seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - v) If the tie is still unbreakable, then a blind draw among the three teams shall break the tie.
  - b) Additional tie-breaking mechanisms may be added, and would be uniform for all three-team districts.

B) For district tournaments with four or more teams, the district tournament brackets may be drawn by random lot or placed into the bracket using a seeding system. A majority vote (recorded in writing) of the Principals, Athletic Directors or Designated Representatives of the schools in the district is required in order to make or change seeding decisions. In the absence of any documentation, minutes or other verification, the districts shall not be seeded. The regulations concerning the seeding of a district with four or more teams are as follows:

- 1) The decision to seed and the method used in seeding (including all tie-breakers) shall be determined by majority vote of the participating teams in the district and the manager shall record this vote in writing and submit it to the Association. The representatives making the written declaration shall decide all issues related to seeding,
- 2) Seeding methods shall be determined prior to the start of the

regular season, recorded in writing with a copy provided to the KHSAA, and shall remain in place until a majority vote of the participating schools rescinds or changes the seeding decisions. Such changes to the district seeding plan may not be made for the current year once play has begun in the regular season.

- 3) In the event of dispute, the current copy on file with the KHSAA shall prevail in determining resolution.
- 4) Seeding plans may, at the discretion of the majority vote of the schools, stipulate a particular team to a particular seeded position.
- 5) It shall be the district tournament manager's responsibility to update the Association with respect to any changes to the seeding decision or method being used and any relevant tiebreakers. In the absence of this documentation, consultation with, and written verification and documentation from, prior year tournament managers, will be utilized by staff to assist with interpretation and clarification.
- 6) There is no statewide regulation on a seeding method once the determination has been made to seed. Some of the more common and recommended means of seeding is the record of games played within a district provided all teams have played all other teams. In that case, each district shall adopt tie-breaking procedures in the event that the primary method of seeding results in a tie or other situations arise which cause an alteration in the scheduled seeding method. Among the more common tie-breaking methods are 1) seeding by overall win-loss record; seeding by win-loss record in specific contests, 3) seeding by a rating/ranking from a statewide poll, 3) seeding by a majority vote, 4) seeding by a committee, and 5) seeding by a rating turned in by each school.
- 7) If win-loss records are used for seeding, the records used shall be the records as of the date of the pre-tournament meeting as published on the KHSAA memorandum calendar. Teams and school representatives may meet during the regular season to discuss tournament operations (i.e. dates, times, sites, tournament personnel needs, etc.). However if an organizational meeting is held prior to the published date on the calendar, no discussions may be held regarding the bracketing or pairings of specific teams unless all mandated seeded games have been played prior to the meeting. Games played after the published meeting date SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.
- 8) Seeded games unable to be played for any reason (with the exception of verified forfeited contests) prior to the published date for the district tournament meetings will be recorded as a win and a loss for both teams in computing seeded position.
- 9) If a change in the alignment of teams moves a single new team into a previously seeded district, the previous decision as to seeding shall prevail. If the new team enters the alignment following the completion of all game contracts and the new team is unable to schedule all required opponents, the new team shall be seeded in the last position for the current season, and shall be included in seeded game scheduling for the subsequent seasons.
- 10) If a change in the alignment of teams moves more than one team into a seeded district, the district teams shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote will result in the seeding decision remaining the same.
- 11) If the Board of Control approves a total realignment of teams within a district, the teams in the district shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote in this situation shall result in the district being not seeded.

#### **V) Tournament Meetings and Pairings**

- A) District (non-seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams. The principal or his/her representative shall conduct the drawing for each school. The pairings for the district tournament shall be made in accordance with the following procedure, with all byes being arranged to be in the first round:
  - 1) The number of places to be considered shall be four, eight, sixteen, thirty-two, etc. Of the above numbers, the one that is next greater than the number of teams in the drawing shall

be considered in the drawing. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket.

- 2) If the number of teams in the drawing is less than the number of places to be considered, the even number 2 shall be designed as the first bye; the largest even number as the second bye; number 4 as the third bye; the next largest even number as the fourth bye; and so on until the number of places not so designated equals the number of teams in the drawing. The places shall be determined by drawing by lot, the numbers assigned to the "byes" having been first taken from the numbers to be drawn.
- 3) The teams which pair with "byes" shall have a rest period during the first round of the playing of games in the tournament.
- 4) The winner of the No. 1 and No. 2 games shall play the winner of the No. 3 and No. 4 game. The winner of the No. 5 game and No. 6 game shall play the winner of No. 7 and No. 8 game. The two winners shall play for the championship. The same general procedure shall be used in the case of more than eight places or teams.
- 5) The district champion and the runner-up of each tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.
- B) District (seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all seeded district games.
  - 1) After seeding positions have been determined, the seeded bracket pairings shall be observed. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket. The brackets (from top down) are as follows:
    - a) 3 Teams – Seed 2 plays 3, Seed 1 plays winner of Seed 2 vs. Seed 3 for championship.
    - b) 4 Teams - Seed 1 plays 4, 2 plays 3, winners meet for championship.
    - c) 5 Teams - Seed 5 plays 4, 1 plays winner of 5 vs. 4, 2 plays 3, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - d) 6 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 plays winner of 3 vs. 6, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - e) 7 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - f) 8 Teams - Seed 1 plays 8, 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 vs. 8 winner plays 4 vs. 5 winner, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
  - 2) The district champion and the runner-up of each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.
- C) Region
  - 1) The Regional meeting shall be held on Sunday afternoon immediately following the district tournaments not prior to 2:00 local time in the school designated as the host. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all district tournament games.
  - 2) The pairings for the regional tournament shall be made in accordance to the following procedure.
    - a) In a regional tournament with participants from four districts, the district winners will draw for positions 1, 3, 5 and 7 in a standard eight-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will draw for a position in the opposite bracket.
    - b) In a regional tournament with participants from three districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The format will follow a standard eight-team bracket with two byes, those falling into positions 2 and 7. The district winners shall draw for positions 1 and 8 in the bracket. The district winner not drawing a bye shall draw for a position in slots 3 through 6. The district runner-up to the district champion drawing for position in slots 3 through 6 will draw into one of the two remaining slots in the bracket opposite the district winner, and the remaining two runner-up teams will be placed opposite their corresponding district winners in the remaining two slots in the bracket.
    - c) In a regional tournament with participants from two districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The district winners will draw for positions 1 and 3 in a standard four-team



bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will be placed in the position in the opposite bracket from the district winner.

- 3) The winner of each regional tournament shall advance to the semi-state tournament.

**D) Semi-state.**

- 1) The state shall be divided into four semi-state areas. The winners of Regions 1-4 will be in semi-state area 1, 5-8 in semi-state area 2, 9-12 in semi-state area 3, and 13-16 in semi-state area 4. The draw creates 8 distinct semi-state series, from which the winner would advance to the state tournament. The draw for play within the section would be pre-determined on six-year rotating plan based on the district, region and semi-state alignment.
- 2) Each Semi-state event would be best of three format, in accordance with the playing schedule distributed by the Commissioner's office.
- 3) Each Semi-state tournament shall be held at a field that meets the site specifications for holding a semi-state tournament, irrespective of the host's participation in the tournament.
- 4) The winner of best of three series in each Semi-state game advances to state tournament.
- 5) The Semi-state manager shall communicate with the representatives of the participating Semi-state teams on the Sunday following the regional tournaments
- 6) The Semi-state pairings for 2007-2008 through 2012-2013 are:

SS	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1	1@3	2@1	1@4	3@1	1@2	4@1
2	4@2	4@3	3@2	2@4	3@4	2@3
3	5@7	6@5	5@8	7@5	5@6	8@5
4	8@6	8@7	7@6	6@8	7@8	6@7
5	9@11	10@9	9@12	11@9	9@10	12@9
6	12@10	12@11	11@10	10@12	11@12	10@11
7	13@15	14@13	13@16	15@13	13@14	16@13
8	16@14	16@15	15@14	14@16	15@16	14@15

- E) State. The Commissioner shall conduct a blind draw to determine the pairings for the state tournament. The winner of each of the eight (8) semi-state tournaments shall advance to the state tournament.

**VI) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

To be eligible to compete in the district, region or state tournament, a member school team shall have competed in at least ten games during the regular season.

**VII) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

A school may enter a team composed of twenty-one (21) players in each post-season tournament game that shall be players who appeared on the eligibility list (roster) submitted online. The twenty one (21) players shall be designated each game, and no other players may be in uniform and tournament management may limit the total number of individuals in the dugouts.

The competing teams in the state tournament will be afforded passes to accommodate a traveling party forty (40), to include the school principal(s) and other administrators, the coaching staff, the team members in uniform (maximum 21) and the support staff for the team. No additional passes will be issued.

**VIII) Umpires (Regular and Post-season)**

For regular season play, baseball umpires are to be paid \$46.00 per game per official for a two person crew, \$41.00 each additional contest. If additional umpires are assigned, the fee may be reduced by \$5. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for

incidental expenses such as travel and mileage. The total amount paid to baseball umpires in a given local regional policy board area shall be no greater than \$5.00 more than the amount paid to fast-pitch softball umpires.

Umpires for all KHSAA sponsored championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission. Only KHSAA Level 2 or Level 3 officials shall be used in the regional, semi-state or state tournaments. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner. Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to district, region, semi-state and state tournament games. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

The Board of Control has established fees for postseason play. In all tournament levels, one member of the crew of officials is to be paid a mileage allowance based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee. Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

District tournament umpires shall be paid a fee of \$46.00 per game for a three-person or four-person system. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Regional tournament officials shall be paid a fee of \$51.00 per game for a four-person system. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Semi-state (sectional) tournament officials shall be paid \$56.00 per game for a four-person system. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

State tournament officials (final eight team round) shall be paid \$66.00 per game and shall be assigned to a four-person crew.

**IX) Champion**

The champion of each district and region tournament will be the team undefeated in a single elimination tournament. The champion of each semi-state tournament will be the team that first wins two games in the series.

**X) Trophies and Awards**

**A) District and Region**

- 1) Trophies will be given to each district and regional tournament winner and runner-up.
- 2) The trophies at the district and region shall be paid from the gate receipts of that tournament.

**B) Semi-State**

- 1) Trophies shall be given to each semi-state winner and runner-up and a Most Valuable Player Award will be given.
- 2) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies at the semi-state and state tournaments.

**C) State**

- 1) The state tournament champion, runner-up, and semi-finalists shall receive a trophy and twenty-four (24) individual medals.
- 2) An All-Tournament team will be selected at the state tournament along with a Most Valuable Player.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies at the semi-state and state tournaments.

**XI) Finances**

**A) District and Region**

The participating schools may adopt by majority vote, any plan that they desire for the distribution of receipts. If no plan can be agreed upon, the following shall prevail:

- 1) A mileage fee of \$1.00 per team per mile for each necessary trip may be allowed for travel expense. An allowance for one meal at \$5.00 per team member per trip to the tournament may be allowed.
- 2) The host school shall be allowed fifteen (15) percent of the gross ticket receipts derived from the district or regional tournament for rental of the gymnasium and other services rendered to include setup and clean-up charges and for paying documented incidental bills related to the tournament that are approved by the participating teams.
- 3) Prior to any additional distribution, the gross receipts, less the host designated share outlined in subsection (2), shall be reduced by team travel expenses and the amounts paid for

game officials and trophies.

- 4) The remainder of the profit shall be divided among the schools participating in the tournament and the non-participating schools in accordance with previously approved plans.
  - 5) The host school may be allowed the profits made on programs, concessions, parking, etc.
- B) Semi-State**
- 1) The Association will finance the semi-state tournament. The following allowances will apply if the receipts from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the Board of Control will determine the allowance.
  - 2) A portion of the proceeds of the semi-state series will be retained by the Association to assist with expense payment of teams to the state tournament.
  - 3) The proceeds of the series, following minimal expenses, are divided into four parts. One part is for the host, one for each team, and one for the Association.
  - 4) Upon submission of the financial report, the school shall send a first line gross revenue check equal to the gross ticket receipts, less the allowable expenses.
  - 5) Following the receipt of this report, the Association shall pay all bills, divide the proceeds, and remit the amounts back to the three effected schools (two if one is both a participant and host).
  - 6) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each semi-state tournament.
- C) State**
- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament. The following allowances will apply if the receipts from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the Board of Control will determine the allowance.
  - 2) Expenses will be paid for meals, lodging and travel for each team through breakfast on the day following elimination from the tournament for each team.
  - 3) The state tournament squad for purposes of reimbursement shall be limited to twenty-four (24) persons, including the principal, coaches, team members and other personnel.
  - 4) Schools failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit the lodging allowance. Commuting teams shall be paid an allowance in accordance with pre-tournament instructions.
  - 5) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip), \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.
  - 6) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each state tournament.

## **XII) Withdrawal from Tournament**

No school which enters a district, regional, semi-state or state tournament (draws for place) shall withdraw from the tournament or forfeit any of its games, but shall play its entire tournament schedule. If a school withdraws from a district, regional, semi-state or state tournament at any time following the draw for district tournament positions or after the pairings have been determined in a seeded district, that school may be suspended from the Association for a period of twelve (12) months and shall be eliminated from postseason play for two years unless the Board of Control rules that sufficient grounds for withdrawal are submitted.

## **XIII) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

### **A) Pitching Limitations**

- 1) For purposes of this rule, delivery of a minimum of one (1) pitch constitutes having pitched in one inning.
- 2) A pitcher may pitch in a maximum of nine (9) innings in one (1) day, but not more than fifteen (15) innings in any seven (7) day period.
- 3) If a pitcher pitches in three (3) innings to five (5) innings, in one (1) day, that pitcher shall have one (1) calendar day of rest beginning with the day following the first day a pitch is thrown.
- 4) If a pitcher pitches in six (6) innings, that pitcher shall have two (2) calendar days of rest beginning with the day following the first day a pitch is thrown.
- 5) If a pitcher pitches in seven (7) or more innings in one day, that

pitcher shall have three (3) calendar days of rest beginning with the day following the first day a pitch is thrown.

- 6) This limitation affects regular season and postseason play.

### **B) Speed-Up Rules**

All baseball contests shall utilize the optional speed-up rules allowed by the National Federation as detailed for the courtesy runner(s) for the pitcher and catcher upon reaching base.

### **C) Specifications of Fields and Game Balls**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for fields to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

### **D) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

### **E) Coaching Uniform**

- 1) Coaches in the coaching boxes (first and third bases) shall wear baseball uniform pants, shoes, stirrups (if worn by the team), and baseball/athletic shoes (no sandals, etc.) The top may differ from the team uniform but shall, if not identically matching the team uniform, contained readily identified team references using either the school name or the school mascot. Such items as golf polo shirts, wind shirts and other tops shall be allowed provided the proper school name/nickname provisions are met. Such items shall not be allowed if containing references to other school teams (i.e. X County football), or non-school related facilities (i.e. X County Country Club).
- 2) Other coaches who may appear on the field for conferences, including the pre-game conference, or offensive or defensive charged conferences, shall be uniformly dressed in school identified clothing. These individuals shall either be 1) wearing baseball uniform pants, shoes, stirrups (if worn by the team), and baseball/athletic shoes (no sandals, etc.) with the top provisions as specified for the base coaches; or 2) they may wear khaki dress slacks (full length), with appropriate shoes, and the top provisions as specified for the base coaches.

### **F) Team Uniform**

In KHSAA sanctioned postseason play, all players who enter the contest shall wear the same color and style uniform.

### **G) Interrupted Games**

- 1) If a game is interrupted in tournament play or in regular season play, and is subsequently to be completed, it will be reset at the same point, same inning, same out or outs, same balls and strikes, same batter or number of batter in the batting order.
- 2) If a game is interrupted and unable to be completed, it shall be counted against all applicable game limits, including total number of games and all pitching restrictions.

### **H) Complete Game**

In regular season, and postseason, a complete game of 6 1/2 or 7 innings shall be played unless other National Federation rules apply to the situation. All games in a seeded district shall be played to completion.

### **I) Pitcher Warm-up Area**

If the pitcher's warm-up area is in live ball territory, only those individuals specified by NFHS playing rules (pitcher - catcher - personal protector) may be in the live ball area during any warm-up period. Only members of the team and adult coaches may serve as personal protector, and all persons serving in that role shall wear a properly fitted helmet.

### **J) Use of Electronic Devices**

Electronic devices, such as radar devices to measure pitching speed, may only be used by either team outside of the dugout with mutual consent of both teams. If either team objects, then the equipment shall be used in the confines of the dugout.

#### **XIV) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

*(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)*

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Basketball Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

#### I) Assignment of Schools to Districts and Regions

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in basketball for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to November 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. The alignment shall begin with the 2005-2006 school year, and shall be reviewed upon the request of a member school with a request concerning that particular school on a biennial basis (every two years). The entire alignment shall be reviewed with changes to be in effect for the 2009-2010 school year and every four years thereafter. In the interim, newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment in basketball is —

##### REGION 1

- District 1 - Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County
- District 2 - Heath, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland
- District 3 - Ballard Memorial, Graves County, Mayfield, St. Mary
- District 4 - Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian (Paducah), Marshall County, Murray

##### REGION 2

- District 5 - Crittenden County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Trigg County
- District 6 - Henderson County, Union County, Webster County
- District 7 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins
- District 8 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

##### REGION 3

- District 9 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic
- District 10 - McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County
- District 11 - Breckinridge County, Frederick Fraize, Hancock County, Meade County
- District 12 - Butler County, Edmonson County, Grayson County, Trinity (Whitesville)

##### REGION 4

- District 13 - Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central
- District 14 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, Warren Central, Warren East
- District 15 - Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Glasgow, Monroe County
- District 16 - Clinton County, Cumberland County, Metcalfe County, Russell County

##### REGION 5

- District 17 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin
- District 18 - Caverna, Green County, Hart County, Larue County
- District 19 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Washington County
- District 20 - Adair County, Campbellsville, Marion County, Taylor County

##### REGION 6

- District 21 - Beth Haven, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley, Western
- District 22 - Butler, DeSales (B), Doss, Evangel Christian, Iroquois
- District 23 - Brown (B), Central, Portland Christian, Presentation (G), Shawnee, St. Francis
- District 24 - Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Fairdale, North Bullitt, Southern

##### REGION 7

- District 25 - DuPont Manual, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Mercy (G), St. Xavier (B)
- District 26 - Assumption (G), Atherton, Fern Creek, Moore, Whitefield Academy
- District 27 - Ballard, Sacred Heart (G), Seneca, Trinity (Louisville) (B), Waggener, Walden
- District 28 - Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day

##### REGION 8

- District 29 - North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham, Trimble County
- District 30 - Anderson County, Eminence, Shelby County, Spencer County
- District 31 - Carroll County, Gallatin County, Henry County, Owen County
- District 32 - Grant County, Simon Kenton, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

##### REGION 9

- District 33 - Boone County, Conner, Heritage, Cooper, Ryle, St. Henry District
- District 34 - Dixie Heights, Lloyd Memorial, Ludlow, Villa Madonna
- District 35 - Beechwood, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Notre Dame (G)
- District 36 - Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic

##### REGION 10

- District 37 - Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Scott, Silver Grove
- District 38 - Deming, Harrison County, Nicholas County, Pendleton County
- District 39 - Augusta, Bracken County, Mason County, St. Patrick
- District 40 - Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Paris

##### REGION 11

- District 41 - Frankfort, Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County
- District 42 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County
- District 43 - Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Dunbar, Tates Creek
- District 44 - Berea, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

##### REGION 12

- District 45 - Boyle County, Danville, Garrard County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Lincoln County
- District 46 - Burgin, East Jessamine, Mercer County, West Jessamine
- District 47 - Casey County, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Somerset
- District 48 - McCreary Central, Monticello, Southwestern, Wayne County

##### REGION 13

- District 49 - Clay County, Jackson County, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist, Red Bird
- District 50 - Corbin, South Laurel, Whitley County, Williamsburg
- District 51 - Barbourville, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Pineville
- District 52 - Bell County, Harlan, Harlan County, Middlesboro

##### REGION 14

- District 53 - Cordia, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central
- District 54 - Buckhorn, Hazard, Leslie County, Perry County Central
- District 55 - Breathitt County, Jackson City, Riverside Christian, Wolfe County
- District 56 - Estill County, Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County

##### REGION 15

- District 57 - Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark
- District 58 - Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Piast, Prestonsburg, South Floyd
- District 59 - Belfry, East Ridge, Phelps, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Shelby Valley

##### REGION 16

- District 61 - Bath County, Fleming County, Menifee County, Rowan County



District 62 – East Carter, Elliott County, Morgan County, West Carter

District 63 – Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Russell

District 64 – Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Fairview, Rose Hill

## **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

District tournament sites shall be selected by a site selection plan approved by a unanimous vote of the schools eligible to compete in each district tournament. If a district is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Board of Control shall establish a plan.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and having a schedule of twelve (12) or more basketball games shall be allowed to vote for the district tournament location or participate in the tournament

Criteria to be considered by the schools for the district tournament include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; enough dressing rooms if double headers are to be played; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance.

The Commissioner shall determine the regional tournament sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year tournaments. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites.

A two-thirds vote is necessary to adopt any plan for recommending the regional tournament sites and voting shall include boys' and girls' sites and shall include all schools within a region, not simply the schools playing in a particular year's event. Criteria to be considered by the schools include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the gym to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; a minimum of four dressing rooms and an officials dressing room if double headers are to be played; and adequate parking for projected attendance.

In addition, the schools shall agree on the amount of proceeds (if any) that is to be kept by the host school as well as limitations on expenses by the host school; determining the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each school that participates; the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each team in the region not competing in the tournament; and the disbursement of any proceeds from commissions, parking, advertising and any other revenue related to the tournament but not directly related to ticket, program or novelty sales. Resolution as to disputes on any of these issues may be facilitated by the Commissioner's office and if agreement cannot be reached, may be considered by the Board of Control.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournament after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

All tournaments shall be held on or as near the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar as local conditions permit. Boys' regional tournaments shall be completed by Saturday night prior to the boys' state tournament in years when the boys' state tournament is played first, but may extend to Tuesday before the girls' state tournament if the boys' state tournament is played second. Girls' regional tournaments shall be completed by the Saturday night prior to the girls' state tournament in years when the girls' state tournament is played first, but may extend to Tuesday before the boys' state tournament if the girls' state tournament is played second.

In regions where boys' and girls' regional tournaments are assigned to separate sites, the regional tournament manager(s) shall schedule games in order that the games are not played on the same date at the same time at separate sites. In regions where boys' and girls' regional tournaments are assigned to the same site, the regional manager(s) shall be responsible for scheduling games in the best interest of all participating schools.

## **III) Tournament Managers**

The principal of the host school shall designate an official of the school to serve as the manager for each district tournament. The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournaments. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each district and regional tournament manager to invite

representatives of the participating teams in the tournament to a meeting held for the purpose of making tournament plans; to conduct the drawing; and to mail an itemized statement of receipts and disbursements to all participating teams and the Commissioners' office. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The representatives of the schools participating in each district and regional tournament, by majority vote, shall set the dates and times of the games, and make all arrangements and decisions pertaining to the management of the tournament. The Commissioner will direct a drawing and all of the business necessary to conduct the state tournament.

## **IV) District Tournament Seeding Regulations**

A) For district tournaments with three teams, the district tournament shall be seeded in accordance with the following three-team seeding regulations:

- 1) Each team in a three-team district is required to play the other two teams in the district in two contests each year, at mutually agreed sites. These games will produce a uniform means of ranking the teams by seed within these districts.
- 2) The team with the highest seed (one seed) receives a bye in the district tournament, and advances to the championship game.
- 3) The remaining two teams would play in the first round of the district tournament with the loser of that game being eliminated.
- 4) In the case of a two-way tie for the district winning position, the winner in the second game played between the tied district opponents would have the higher finishing position.
- 5) In the case of a three-way tie for the district winning position, the tie would be resolved in the following manner. If any of the tie-breakers results in one of the teams being ahead of the other two, the tie is broken. If any of the tie-breakers result in two teams remaining ahead of the third, then the two-way tie breaker shall be used to determine the winner between those two.
  - a) The tie-breaking mechanisms (in order) shall be:
    - i) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the second game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - ii) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the first game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - iii) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in all seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - iv) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in the second of each of the seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - v) If the tie is still unbreakable, then a blind draw among the three teams shall break the tie.
  - b) Additional tie-breaking mechanisms may be added, and would be uniform for all three-team districts.

B) For district tournaments with four or more teams, the district tournament brackets may be drawn by random lot or placed into the bracket using a seeding system. A majority vote (recorded in writing) of the Principals, Athletic Directors or Designated Representatives of the schools in the district is required in order to make or change seeding decisions. In the absence of any documentation, minutes or other verification, the districts shall not be seeded. The regulations concerning the seeding of a district with four or more teams are as follows:

- 1) The decision to seed and the method used in seeding (including all tie-breakers) shall be determined by majority vote of the participating teams in the district and the manager shall record this vote in writing and submit it to the Association. The



representatives making the written declaration shall decide all issues related to seeding,

- 2) Seeding methods shall be determined prior to the start of the regular season, recorded in writing with a copy provided to the KHSAA, and shall remain in place until a majority vote of the participating schools rescinds or changes the seeding decisions. Such changes to the district seeding plan may not be made for the current year once play has begun in the regular season.
- 3) In the event of dispute, the current copy on file with the KHSAA shall prevail in determining resolution.
- 4) Seeding plans may, at the discretion of the majority vote of the schools, stipulate a particular team to a particular seeded position.
- 5) It shall be the district tournament manager's responsibility to update the Association with respect to any changes to the seeding decision or method being used and any relevant tiebreakers. In the absence of this documentation, consultation with, and written verification and documentation from, prior year tournament managers, will be utilized by staff to assist with interpretation and clarification.
- 6) There is no statewide regulation on a seeding method once the determination has been made to seed. Some of the more common and recommended means of seeding is the record of games played within a district provided all teams have played all other teams. In that case, each district shall adopt tie-breaking procedures in the event that the primary method of seeding results in a tie or other situations arise which cause an alteration in the scheduled seeding method. Among the more common tie-breaking methods are 1) seeding by overall win-loss record; seeding by win-loss record in specific contests, 3) seeding by a rating/ranking from a statewide poll, 3) seeding by a majority vote, 4) seeding by a committee, and 5) seeding by a rating turned in by each school.
- 7) If win-loss records are used for seeding, the records used shall be the records as of the date of the pre-tournament meeting as published on the KHSAA memorandum calendar. Teams and school representatives may meet during the regular season to discuss tournament operations (i.e. dates, times, sites, tournament personnel needs, etc.). However if an organizational meeting is held prior to the published date on the calendar, no discussions may be held regarding the bracketing or pairings of specific teams unless all mandated seeded games have been played prior to the meeting. Games played after the published meeting date SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.
- 8) Seeded games unable to be played for any reason (with the exception of verified forfeited contests) prior to the published date for the district tournament meetings will be recorded as a win and a loss for both teams in computing seeded position.
- 9) If a change in the alignment of teams moves a single new team into a previously seeded district, the previous decision as to seeding shall prevail. If the new team enters the alignment following the completion of all game contracts and the new team is unable to schedule all required opponents, the new team shall be seeded in the last position for the current season, and shall be included in seeded game scheduling for the subsequent seasons.
- 10) If a change in the alignment of teams moves more than one team into a seeded district, the district teams shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote will result in the seeding decision remaining the same.
- 11) If the Board of Control approves a total realignment of teams within a district, the teams in the district shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote in this situation shall result in the district being not seeded.

#### **V) Tournament Meetings and Pairings**

- A) District (non-seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams. The principal or his/her representative shall conduct the drawing for each school. The pairings for the district tournament shall be made in accordance with the following procedure, with all byes being arranged to be in the first round:
  - 1) The number of places to be considered shall be four, eight, sixteen, thirty-two, etc. Of the above numbers, the one that is next greater than the number of teams in the drawing shall be considered in the drawing. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket.
  - 2) If the number of teams in the drawing is less than the number of places to be considered, the even number 2 shall be designed as the first bye; the largest even number as the second bye; number 4 as the third bye; the next largest even number as the fourth bye; and so on until the number of places not so designated equals the number of teams in the drawing. The places shall be determined by drawing by lot, the numbers assigned to the "byes" having been first taken from the numbers to be drawn.
  - 3) The teams which pair with "byes" shall have a rest period during the first round of the playing of games in the tournament.
  - 4) The winner of the No. 1 and No. 2 games shall play the winner of the No. 3 and No. 4 game. The winner of the No. 5 game and No. 6 game shall play the winner of No. 7 and No. 8 game. The two winners shall play for the championship. The same general procedure shall be used in the case of more than eight places or teams.
  - 5) The district champion and the runner-up of each tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.

- B) District (seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as designated on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all seeded district games.
  - 1) After seeding positions have been determined, the seeded bracket pairings shall be observed. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket. The brackets (from top down) are as follows:
    - a) 3 Teams – Seed 2 plays 3, Seed 1 plays winner of Seed 2 vs. Seed 3 for championship.
    - b) 4 Teams - Seed 1 plays 4, 2 plays 3, winners meet for championship.
    - c) 5 Teams - Seed 5 plays 4, 1 plays winner of 5 vs. 4, 2 plays 3, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - d) 6 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 plays winner of 3 vs. 6, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - e) 7 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - f) 8 Teams - Seed 1 plays 8, 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 vs. 8 winner plays 4 vs. 5 winner, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
  - 2) The district champion and the runner-up of each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament unless in conflict with C(2)c below.

#### **C) Region.**

- 1) The Regional meeting shall be held on Sunday afternoon immediately following the district tournaments at 2:00 local time in the school designated as the host. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all district tournament games.
- 2) The pairings for the regional tournament shall be made in accordance to the following procedure.
  - a) In a regional tournament with participants from four districts, the district winners will draw for positions 1, 3, 5 and 7 in a standard eight-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will draw for a position in the opposite bracket.
  - b) In regions with more than sixteen teams, and yet, the regional is composed of only three three districts with two teams advancing from each district, an alternative format shall be used. In those regions, the draw shall be approved by the Board of Control.
  - c) In regions with sixteen or fewer teams divided into three districts, that cannot be geographically subdivided into four districts in a manner that will control travel for the participating teams, an additional alternative format may be utilized. Such format would allow for the creation of three districts, with advancement based on the number within the district, in such

a manner as to allow for an eight-team regional tournament. Districts with six teams shall advance four teams from district play, districts with five teams shall advance three teams, and districts with four teams shall advance two teams from district play. If such advancement creates more than eight (8) total teams advancing, the Board of Control shall approve the brackets for the region.

- c) In a regional tournament with participants from two districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The district winners will draw for positions 1 and 3 in a standard four-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will be placed in the position in the opposite bracket from the district winner.
- 3) The winner of each regional tournament shall advance to the state tournament.
- D) State. The Commissioner shall conduct a blind draw to determine the pairings for each state tournament, to be conducted no later than the last Friday in February. The Commissioner shall ensure that all arrangements are made for the state tournament.

#### **VI) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

To be eligible to compete in the district, region or state tournament, a member school team shall have competed in at least twelve games during the regular season.

#### **VII) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

A school may enter a team composed of fifteen (15) players in each post-season tournament game that shall be players who appeared on the eligibility list (roster) submitted online. The fifteen (15) players shall be designated each game, and no other players may be in uniform and tournament management may further limit the number of individuals in the bench area.

The competing teams in the state tournament will be afforded passes to accommodate a traveling party thirty-three (33), to include the school principal(s) and other administrators, the coaching staff, the team members (maximum 15) and the off court staff for the team. No additional passes will be issued. Cheerleaders from participating schools will be admitted in uniform to each contest in which their team is participating, with a maximum of sixteen (16) allowed to participate at any time.

#### **VIII) Officials (Regular and Postseason)**

For regular season games, basketball officials are paid \$50 per game per official for two (2) person crew, \$40 per game per official for a three (3) person crew. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage.

Officials for all KHSAA sponsored state championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission. Only KHSAA Level 2 or Level 3 officials shall be used in the district, regional or state tournaments. An official shall not officiate a district tournament in the district in which he/she resides. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner.

Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to district, region, and state tournament games. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

The Board of Control has established fees for postseason play. In all tournament levels, one member of the crew of officials is to be paid a mileage allowance based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee. Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

District tournament officials shall be paid a fee of \$55.00 per game when working in a three-person system. A crew of three officials shall be used in all postseason tournament games. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area

by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Region tournament officials shall be paid a fee of \$60.00 per game when working in a three-person system. A crew of three officials shall be used in all postseason tournament games. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

State tournament officials shall be paid \$65.00 per game when working in a three-person system. A crew of three officials shall be used in all postseason tournament games.

#### **IX) Champion**

The champion of each tournament will be the team undefeated in a single elimination tournament.

#### **X) Trophies and Awards**

##### **A) District and Region**

- 1) Trophies will be given to each district and regional tournament winner and runner-up.
- 2) The trophies at the district and region shall be paid from the gate receipts of that tournament.

##### **B) State**

- 1) The state tournament champion, runner-up, and semi-finalists shall receive a trophy and thirty-three (33) individual medals.
- 2) An All-Tournament team will be selected at the state tournament along with a Most Valuable Player.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies at the state tournament

#### **XI) Finances**

##### **A) District and Region**

The participating schools may adopt by majority vote, any plan that they desire for the distribution of receipts. If no plan can be agreed upon, the following shall prevail:

- 1) A mileage fee of \$1.00 per team per mile for each necessary trip may be allowed for travel expense. An allowance for one meal at \$5.00 per team member per trip to the tournament may be allowed.
- 2) The host school shall be allowed fifteen (15) percent of the gross ticket receipts derived from the district or regional tournament for rental of the gymnasium and other services rendered to include setup and clean-up charges and for paying documented incidental bills related to the tournament that are approved by the participating teams.
- 3) Prior to any additional distribution, the gross receipts, less the host designated share outlined in subsection (2), shall be reduced by team travel expenses and the amounts paid for game officials and trophies.
- 4) The remainder of the profit shall be divided among the schools participating in the tournament and the non-participating schools in accordance with previously approved plans.
- 5) The host school may be allowed the profits made on programs, concessions, parking, etc.

##### **B) State**

- 1) The Association will finance state tournament. The following allowances will apply if the receipts from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the Board of Control will determine the allowance.
- 2) Expenses will be paid for meals, lodging and travel for each team through breakfast on the day following elimination from the tournament for each team.
- 3) The state tournament squad for purposes of reimbursement shall be limited to thirty-three (33) persons, including the principal, coaches, team members, cheerleaders, cheer sponsor and other personnel.
- 4) Schools failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit the lodging allowance. Commuting teams shall be paid an allowance in accordance with pre-tournament instructions.
- 5) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip), \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.
- 6) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each state tournament.

## **XII) Passes / Tickets**

Each participating school shall be allowed passes for one coach and principal to the district and regional tournament.

Each member school of the Association may, upon application by the principal, purchase up to four priority tickets to the boys' and girls' state tournaments for use by school personnel. Each superintendent may, upon application, purchase up to two priority tickets to each state basketball tournament.

## **XIII) Withdrawal from Tournament**

No school which enters a district, regional, or state tournament (draws for place) shall withdraw from the tournament or forfeit any of its games, but shall play its entire tournament schedule. If a school withdraws from a district, regional, or state tournament at any time following the draw for district tournament positions or after the pairings have been determined in a seeded district, that school may be suspended from the Association for a period of twelve (12) months and shall be eliminated from postseason play for two years unless the Board of Control rules that sufficient grounds for withdrawal are submitted.

## **XIV) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

### **A) Dimensions of the Tournament Courts and Game Balls**

The dimensions of the court on which the games will be played will be determined by the size of the court at the designated tournament site. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

### **B) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

## **XV) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

*(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)*

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Cross Country Meets

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

#### I) Assignment of Schools to Regions

##### A) CLASSES

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor post-season competition in cross country and track for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. The state shall be initially divided into three classes based on a multiple-year average enrollment, with each class containing seven (7) regions. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control.

As of August 1, 2008 and through the 2011-2012 school year, the alignment for boys' and girls' cross country and track is as follows

##### CLASS 1A (0-610 average students)

REGION 1 - Ballard Memorial, Carlisle County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian, Crittenden County, Dawson Springs, Fort Campbell, Frederick Fraize, Fulton, Fulton County, Heath, Hickman County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Mayfield, Murray, Reidland, Russellville, St. Mary, Todd County Central, Trinity (Whitesville), University Heights

REGION 2 - Campbellsville, Caverna, Clinton County, Cumberland County, Glasgow, Green County, Hancock County, McLean County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County, Owensboro Catholic,

REGION 3 - Bardstown, Beth Haven, Bethlehem, Brown, DeSales, Evangel Christian, Fort Knox, Whitefield Academy, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day, Kentucky School f/t Blind, Louisville Collegiate, Portland Christian, St. Francis, Walden

REGION 4 - Beechwood, Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Covington Latin, Dayton, Heritage Academy, Holy Cross (Covington), Ludlow, Newport, Newport Central Catholic, Silver Grove, St. Henry, Villa Madonna, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

REGION 5 - Augusta, Bracken County, Burgin, Carroll County, Danville, Deming, Eminence, Frankfort, Gallatin County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Lexington Christian, Nicholas County, Owen County, Paris, Sayre, St. Patrick, Trimble County

REGION 6 - Barbourville, Berea, Harlan, Lynn Camp, Middlesboro, Model, Monticello, Oneida Baptist, Pineville, Red Bird, Somerset, Williamsburg

REGION 7 - Allen Central, Bath County, Betsy Layne, Buckhorn, Cordia, David School, Elliott County, Fairview, Hazard, Jackson, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Lee County, Menifee County, Owsley County, Paintsville, Phelps, Piarist, Pikeville, Raceland, Riverside Christian, Rose Hill, Shelby Valley, South Floyd, Wolfe County

##### CLASS 2A (611 average to 1024 average students)

REGION 1 - Caldwell County, Calloway County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Logan County, Lone Oak, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Paducah Tilghman, Trigg County, Union County, Webster County

REGION 2 - Adair County, Allen County-Scottsville, Breckinridge County, Butler County, Edmonson County, Elizabethtown, Franklin Simpson, Hart County, Larue County, Marion County, Taylor County, Warren East, Washington County

REGION 3 - Atherton, Bullitt East, Central, Christian Academy, Fairdale, Henry County, Jeffersontown, Mercy Academy, Moore, North Bullitt, North Oldham, Presentation, Shawnee, South Oldham, Spencer County, Valley, Western

REGION 4 - Bourbon County, Covington Catholic, Franklin County, Harrison County, Highlands, Holmes, Lexington Catholic, Lloyd Memorial, Pendleton County, Western Hills

REGION 5 - Bell County, Boyle County, Casey County, Corbin, East Jessamine, Estill County, Garrard County, Jackson County, Knox Central, Madison Southern, McCreary Central, Mercer County, Rockcastle County, Russell County, Wayne County, West Jessamine

REGION 6 - Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, East Carter, Fleming County, Greenup County, Lawrence County, Lewis County, Mason County, Morgan County, Rowan County, Russell, West Carter

REGION 7 - Belfry, Breathitt County, East Ridge, Harlan County, Johnson Central, Knott County Central, Leslie County, Letcher County Central, Magoffin County, Perry County Central, Pike County Central, Powell County, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark

##### CLASS 3A (above 1025 average students)

REGION 1 - Apollo, Christian County, Daviess County, Graves County, Henderson County, Madisonville North Hopkins, Marshall County, Owensboro

REGION 2 - Barren County, Bowling Green, Central Hardin, Grayson County, Greenwood, Ohio County, John Hardin, North Hardin, Warren Central

REGION 3 - Bullitt Central, Butler, Doss, duPont Manual, Iroquois, Male, Meade County, Nelson County, Pleasure Ridge Park, St. Xavier

REGION 4 - Assumption, Ballard, Eastern, Fern Creek, Oldham County, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Shelby County, Southern, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener

REGION 5 - Boone County, Campbell County, Conner, Dixie Heights, Grant County, Notre Dame, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton

REGION 6 - Anderson County, Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Scott County, Tates Creek, Woodford County

REGION 7 - Clay County, George Rogers Clark, Lincoln County, Madison Central, Montgomery County, North Laurel, Pulaski County, South Laurel, Southwestern, Whitley County

##### B) ENROLLMENT CRITERIA

The basis for determining the schools to be placed in Class 1A, 2A, and 3A will be the average total enrollment in grades 9-12 of a coeducational school including all special education students for the four most recent years available for the entire membership at the time of classification. The Board of Control shall ensure that an upward adjustment is made for the enrollment of a school with less than a full high school course, and for schools enrolling boys only (double) or girls only (double).

##### C) CLASSIFICATION

Initial classification is based on enrollment data verified by the Kentucky Department of Education for the two years through the enrollment of the 2006-2007 school year.

1) The enrollment data used to determine the class boundaries shall be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Education or other verifiable sources in the case of non-public schools.

2) The classification shall be reviewed for complete revision to begin with the 2012-2013 school year.

3) The schools shall be placed in enrollment ranked order (after adjustment for single-sex schools)

4) If the ranking and division leaves two or more teams with equal enrollments at the dividing point for class division, the Board of Control shall determine which teams go into each class. First preference is to use enrollment data at levels other than the top four (4) grades to determine the class boundaries. If the enrollment data does not yield a clear conclusion, the teams going into each class shall be drawn by random chance by drawing by lot or by coin toss.

##### II) Dates and Sites for Meets

The Commissioner shall make the determination of the regional meet sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit their request through the defined site selection process as distributed by the Games Committee. The prospective host shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use a requested site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites. If a region is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Commissioner shall establish a plan. All meets will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

All hosts granted an event shall host at least one meet during the regional meet year with at least five schools entering competitors and using the electronic entry and results system. All host courses shall be properly marked per NFHS rules if the markings are not able to be affixed to the ground.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to



January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and already having a suitable facility for hosting the meet shall be allowed to apply, and only those competing in the current year will be allowed to vote for the region tournament location.

Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit the meet information when requested by the Commissioner's office. The applicant shall verify that the facility meets any standards established by the Games Committee and shall supply data relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Member schools are not permitted to practice for, travel to or participate in an interscholastic athletic contest during the six-hour school day. No Cross Country meet may be scheduled at a time that would violate any part of the six-hour academic school day.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Tournament Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional meets, and shall serve as the manager for the state meet. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each regional manager to notify all schools participating in the meet as to the time and place of the meet, to supply him or her with entry material and instructions, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the meet. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

### IV) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play

To be eligible to compete in the regional or state meet, a contestant shall be enrolled in the seventh (7th) grade or higher and be otherwise eligible by all KHSAA Bylaws. For the 2008-2009 school year, a student below grade seven (7) may be entered in the regional or state meets only if that student was on the entry list for that school during the 2005-2006 regional meet.

To be eligible to compete in the regional or state meet, a contestant shall have competed in at least four meets involving a minimum of two schools on a team representing a member school during the regular season. Athletes competing in high school races (grades 9-12) and participating with a high school as a representative of that school irrespective of level of the meet, shall be allowed to count that meet toward the four meet minimum. Coaches shall maintain and have available copies of all results for the regional manager to verify in case of a challenge to the required participation minimums by any athlete. Such individual meet verification (results) may be recorded on standard forms distributed by the Association in lieu of keeping individual results.

A meet shall not count toward the four (4) meet minimum for any athlete if it involves the athlete entering and participating in more than one race that has a distance of greater than 2,500 meters in any single day.

### V) Contestants

A school may enter any eligible student-athlete in the postseason region meet. All entries in KHSAA postseason play shall be done electronically using the Association designated software application.

The initial entry report for contestants in the region meet shall be submitted not later than 5:00 p.m. four (4) days prior to the regional meet.

A school may enter a total of ten (10) eligible individuals on a regional/state meet entry. From that list and only from that list, a school shall designate a maximum of seven (7) runners who may actually compete in the regional meet. A school not having enough runners to qualify as a team (five (5) runners) may enter less than five (5) runners as individual contestants in the regional meet.

Only in the case of documented medical emergency can these deadlines be waived or a substitution be allowed.

Each manager is responsible for the forwarding of the entries for

the regional meet to all competing teams.

Any contestant whose name is on the ten person regional/state entry list may be a member of a qualifying team or declared for the State Meet for a qualifying team, however, substitutes for individual qualifiers in the state meet will not be allowed.

In regions with one (1) full team entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, that team shall advance to the State Meet.

In regions with two (2) or three (3) full team entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, two teams shall advance to the State Meet.

In regions with four (4) to six (6) full team entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, three teams shall advance to the State Meet.

In regions with seven (7) to nine (9) full team entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, four teams shall advance to the State Meet.

In regions with ten (10) to twelve (12) full team entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, five teams shall advance to the State Meet.

In regions with thirteen (13) or more full teams entering and reporting to the starting line at the region, six teams shall advance to the State Meet.

In addition, the top five (5) individuals not on a qualifying team shall advance from the regional to the state meet. Coaches of qualifying teams may secure other information about the state meet at the site of the regional meet or via the KHSAA web site.

### VI) Officials (Regular and Postseason)

It is strongly recommended that a KHSAA licensed official (Track and Field), be present at each Cross Country meet that counts toward the limit of meets in accordance with Bylaw 25. In any meet where more than four (4) schools are entering teams or individuals, there shall be a KHSAA licensed Track official. The fee shall be \$30 per race for the Meet Referee, who shall be a licensed KHSAA official. If additional referees are hired at the discretion of meet management, they shall receive the same fee.

Cross Country Regional meet assigned officials shall be paid \$35 per race plus the Board of Control approved travel allowances.

At the discretion and with the approval of the manager, the meet assigned referees shall be paid a mileage allowance for one car based on the mileage necessary. Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

The local management of the postseason cross country meets shall have the authority to hire and utilize all licensed officials necessary for properly conducting the meets.

For the State Cross Country meet, the Commission shall have the authority to hire and utilize all officials necessary for properly conducting the meets. Where possible, the Association will utilize KHSAA licensed track officials for the state meets. State Cross Country officials will be paid according to position in accordance with a scale approved by the Commission in advance.

Final approval for all selections to the region and state meets shall be made by the Commission.

### VII) Length of Course

The course will be approximately 5,000 meters for both boys and girls. All Cross Country races shall be a minimum of 2,500 meters and a maximum of 5,000 meters in order to count toward the applicable required minimum number of meets.

### VIII) Champion

All entrants from a school accumulate team points toward the team championship. A team, for scoring purposes in determining the team champion, shall consist of a minimum of five (5) participating members.

The team score shall be determined by totaling the places of the first five finishing contestants on each team. The scores of the individual contestants, those not on a team, shall be disregarded in computing the team score. The champion of each meet will be the team compiling the lowest total score, with teams with less than five contestants disregarded in the team competition.

### IX) Trophies and Awards

#### A) Region

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first and second at the regional meets.

- 2) The first ten runners finishing will receive awards at the regional meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the region meets.

**B) State**

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state meet.
- 2) The ten individuals on the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth will receive awards at the state meet.
- 3) The first fifteen runners finishing in each race will receive awards at the state meet.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state meet.

**X) Finances**

**A) Region**

- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

**B) State**

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state meet.

**XI) Games Committee (Track Rule 3) Rules for both Regular and Post-Season**

**A) Specifications for Cross Country Courses**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for cross country courses to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.

**B) Participation Rules and Regulations**

National Federation Track and Field Rule 9 shall govern meets in Cross Country where appropriate and in particular where participant safety is ensured.

**C) Interrupted Races**

When lightning or other inclement weather, heat and humidity conditions or other events beyond the control of meet management cause the interruption of a race by the Meet Referee after it has begun, it shall be considered to be complete with respect to the counting against the maximum number of meets for a school or minimum number of required meets for an athlete. In addition, it shall be complete to the extent of the compensation for meet officials.

**D) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

**E) Starter's Pistol Specifications**

The starter's pistol, which shall be a 32 caliber (22 for indoor track), shall meet all district, local, state and federal regulations including possession ordinances and registration requirements.

**F) Uniform allowances per NFHS Track Rule 3**

All contestants in Cross Country shall adhere to National Federation Rule 4-3 as it relates to the uniform of the competitors. In addition, the Games Committee for the State Cross Country and Track Meets may, within the allowable limits of Rule 4-3, establish clarifications and enhancements to the uniform requirement to ensure equal treatment of all competitors.

At present, the Games Committee has addressed the following areas for consistent enforcement by meet officials and which are applicable to all contestants. **NOTHING ABOUT THESE REGULATIONS MANDATE A REQUIRED COLOR).**

- 1) **HEADS** - Hats are not allowed however the toboggan or stocking cap/wrap are permitted in cold or hot weather. All head gear and holders shall be checked by the Meet Referee to make sure they are secure. Anything worn on the head shall be secure, designed for the head, and without a visible manufacturer's logo or other decoration (other than the school name / nickname).
- 2) **TOPS** - If shirts are worn under the school issued jersey by more than one team member (two or more), that apparel shall be exactly the same single solid color on all who choose

to wear the undergarments. It is not necessary that all team members wear them. No lettering or designs or decals will be allowed on undershirts anywhere with the exception of a single manufacturer's logo which shall adhere to the NFHS restrictions. The restrictions on undershirts do not include sleeve length. For example one team member can wear long sleeves, one 3/4 sleeves and one short sleeves as long as they are the same solid color.

- 3) **BOTTOMS** - If leotards, body suits or bike shorts are worn under the school issued running trunks by more than one team member (two or more), that apparel shall be a single solid color and alike in color. Long underwear will not be accepted as a visible undergarment for either tops or bottoms. No lettering, designs or decals will be allowed on underpants anywhere, with the exception of a single manufacturer's logo which shall meet NFHS restrictions. The restrictions on pants do not include pants length. For example one team member can wear long pants, one 3/4 pants and one short pants as long as they are the same solid color.

- 4) **HANDS** - Gloves or socks may be worn on the hands during cold weather.

- 5) **FEET** - Shoes shall be worn. Shoes of different runners on the team do not have to be the same make and model. The use of ballet slippers, gymnastic or sweat socks does not meet the requirements of this rule.

- 6) **JEWELRY** - No jewelry will be allowed to be worn per NFHS rules. Religious or medical medals can be worn in compliance with NFHS rules. A religious medal shall be taped to the body and worn under the uniform. A medical alert piece of jewelry shall be taped to the body and shall be visible. Wrist watches may not be worn during competition and are to be removed at or prior to the point of reporting to the Clerk. Violators of the watch restriction that are not detected by the Clerk or other meet officials shall be directed to immediately remove the watch and may not be otherwise penalized.

- 7) **BODY MARKINGS / TATTOOS** - A permanent tattoo that is not objectionable in the judgement of an official, would be allowed. A permanent tattoo that is objectionable in its content or form shall be covered. Anything non permanent including tattoos, face paint, etc. would not be legal if visible on any part of the body as it would be excessive body decoration.

- 8) **SPORTS BRA** - These items are considered foundation garments and are not to be considered as part of the uniform or undergarment rule.

- 9) **SUNGLASSES** - Unless prescribed by a medical doctor for the purpose of vision correction, sunglasses may not be worn during competition.

**XII) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

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*(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)*

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing the Football Championships

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

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#### I) Assignment of Schools to Districts, Regions and Classes

##### A) CLASSES

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in football for boys, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. Classification shall be based on enrollment in grades 9-12 including all special education students. The state shall be divided into four classes based on enrollment by the Commissioner, with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office

The alignment for football for the 2007 and 2008 playing seasons shall be as follows —

##### **CLASS 1A**

- District 1—Ballard Memorial, Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Mayfield
- District 2—Beth Haven, Bethlehem, Caverna, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day
- District 3—Beechwood, Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Dayton, Ludlow, Walton-Verona
- District 4—Bracken County, Eminence, Frankfort, Gallatin County, Trimble County
- District 5—Fairview, Lexington Christian, Nicholas County, Paris, Raceland
- District 6—Campbellsville, Clinton County, Lynn Camp, Williamsburg
- District 7—Harlan, Hazard, Jenkins, Pineville
- District 8—Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Paintsville, Phelps, Pikeville, South Floyd

##### **CLASS 2A**

- District 1—Caldwell County, Heath, Murray, Reidland, Trigg County
- District 2—Fort Campbell, Hancock County, Owensboro Catholic, Todd County Central
- District 3—Glasgow, Green County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County
- District 4—Bardstown, Danville, Fort Knox, Washington County
- District 5—Carroll County, Christian Academy-Louisville, DeSales, Owen County
- District 6—Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Newport, Newport Central Catholic
- District 7—Bath County, Morgan County, Prestonsburg, Shelby Valley
- District 8—Corbin, Knott County Central, Leslie County, Middlesboro

##### **CLASS 3A**

- District 1—McLean County, Muhlenberg South, Paducah Tilghman, Union County, Webster County
- District 2—Adair County, Butler County, Edmonson County, Hart County, Russellville
- District 3—Central, Elizabethtown, Moore, Shawnee
- District 4—Henry County, North Oldham, Spencer County, Western Hills
- District 5—Casey County, Garrard County, Jackson County, Somerset, Taylor County, Wayne County
- District 6—Breathitt County, Estill County, Fleming County, Harlan County, Powell County
- District 7—East Carter, Lewis County, Mason County, Russell, West Carter
- District 8—Belfry, East Ridge, Magoffin County, Pike County Central, Sheldon Clark

##### **CLASS 4A**

- District 1—Calloway County, Hopkins County Central, Lone Oak, Muhlenberg North
- District 2—Allen County, Scottsville, Franklin-Simpson, Logan County,

Russell County, Warren-East

- District 3—Atherton, Breckinridge County, Fairdale, Valley, Western
- District 4—Bullitt East, Lacle County, Marion County, North Bullitt
- District 5—Bourbon County, Franklin County, Harrison County, Pendleton County
- District 6—Boyle County, East Jessamine, Lexington Catholic, West Jessamine
- District 7—Bell County, Knox Central, Madison Southern, McCreary Central, Rockcastle County
- District 8—Boyd County, Greenup County, Lawrence County, Rowan County

##### **CLASS 5A**

- District 1—Christian County, Hopkinsville, Ohio County, Owensboro
- District 2—Barren County, Bowling Green, Grayson County, Warren Central
- District 3—Doss, Iroquois, John Hardin, Waggener
- District 4—Anderson County, Grant County, Jeffersontown, Oldham County, South Oldham
- District 5—Covington Catholic, Dixie Heights, Highlands, Holmes, Scott
- District 6—Ashland-Blazer, Bryan Station, Johnson Central, Montgomery County, Woodford County
- District 7—Lincoln County, Mercer County, Pulaski County, South Laurel, Southwestern
- District 8—Clay County, Letcher County Central, North Laurel, Perry County Central, Whitley County

##### **CLASS 6A**

- District 1—Apollo, Daviess County, Graves County, Henderson County, Madisonville North Hopkins, Marshall County
- District 2—Central Hardin, Greenwood, Meade County, Nelson County, North Hardin
- District 3—Butler, DuPont Manual, Pleasure Ridge Park, St. Xavier
- District 4—Bullitt Central, Fern Creek, Male, Southern
- District 5—Ballard, Eastern, Seneca, Trinity (Louisville)
- District 6—Boone County, Campbell County, Conner, Cooper, Ryle, Simon-Kenton
- District 7—Henry Clay, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Tates-Creek
- District 8—George Rogers Clark, Madison Central, Scott County, Shelby County

Not competing—Berea, Evangel Christian

The alignment for football for the 2009 and 2010 playing seasons shall be as follows —

##### **CLASS 1A**

- District-1- Ballard Memorial, Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Mayfield
- District-2- Beth Haven, Bethlehem, Caverna, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day
- District-3- Beechwood, Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Dayton, Ludlow, Walton-Verona
- District-4- Bracken County, Eminence, Frankfort, Gallatin County, Trimble County
- District-5- Fairview, Lexington Christian, Nicholas County, Paris, Raceland
- District-6- Berea, Campbellsville, Clinton County, Lynn Camp, Williamsburg
- District-7- Harlan, Hazard, Jenkins, Pineville
- District-8- Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Paintsville, Phelps, Pikeville, South Floyd

##### **CLASS 2A**

- District-1- Caldwell County, Heath, Murray, Reidland, Trigg County
- District-2- Fort Campbell, Hancock County, Owensboro Catholic, Todd County Central
- District-3- Glasgow, Green County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County
- District-4- Bardstown, Danville, Fort Knox, Washington County
- District-5- Carroll County, Christian Academy-Louisville, DeSales, Owen County
- District-6- Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Newport, Newport Central Catholic
- District-7- Bath County, Morgan County, Prestonsburg, Shelby Valley
- District-8- Corbin, Knott County Central, Leslie County, Middlesboro



**CLASS 3A**

District-1- McLean County, Muhlenberg South, Paducah Tilghman, Union County, Webster County  
 District-2- Adair County, Butler County, Edmonson County, Hart County, Russellville  
 District-3- Central, Elizabethtown, Moore, Shawnee  
 District-4- Henry County, North Oldham, Spencer County, Western Hills  
 District-5- Casey County, Garrard County, Jackson County, Somerset, Taylor County, Wayne County  
 District-6- Breathitt County, Estill County, Fleming County, Powell County  
 District-7- Lewis County, Mason County, Russell, West Carter  
 District-8- Belfry, East Ridge, Magoffin County, Pike County Central, Sheldon Clark

**CLASS 4A**

District-1- Calloway County, Hopkins County Central, Lone Oak, Muhlenberg North  
 District-2- Allen County-Scottsville, Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russell County, Warren East  
 District-3- Atherton, Breckinridge County, Fairdale, Valley, Western  
 District-4- Bullitt East, Larue County, Marion County, North Bullitt  
 District-5- Bourbon County, Franklin County, Harrison County, Pendleton County  
 District-6- Boyle County, East Jessamine, Lexington Catholic, West Jessamine  
 District-7- Bell County, Knox Central, Madison Southern, McCreary Central, Rockcastle County  
 District-8- Boyd County, East Carter, Greenup County, Lawrence County, Rowan County

**CLASS 5A**

District-1- Christian County, Hopkinsville, Madisonville North Hopkins, Ohio County, Owensboro  
 District-2- Barren County, Bowling Green, Grayson County, Warren Central  
 District-3- Bullitt Central, Doss, Iroquois, John Hardin, Waggener  
 District-4- Anderson County, Grant County, Jeffersontown, Oldham County, South Oldham  
 District-5- Covington Catholic, Dixie Heights, Highlands, Holmes, Scott  
 District-6- Ashland Blazer, Johnson Central, Montgomery County, Woodford County  
 District-7- Lincoln County, Mercer County, Pulaski County, South Laurel, Southwestern  
 District-8- Clay County, Harlan County, Letcher County Central, North Laurel, Perry County Central, Whitley County

**CLASS 6A**

District-1- Apollo, Daviess County, Graves County, Henderson County, Marshall County  
 District-2- Central Hardin, Greenwood, Meade County, Nelson County, North Hardin  
 District-3- Butler, DuPont Manual, Pleasure Ridge Park, St. Xavier  
 District-4- Fern Creek, Male, Shelby County, Southern  
 District-5- Ballard, Eastern, Seneca, Trinity (Louisville)  
 District-6- Boone County, Campbell County, Conner, Cooper, Ryle, Simon Kenton  
 District-7- Bryan Station, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Scott County  
 District-8- George Rogers Clark, Henry Clay, Madison Central, Tates Creek

Not competing – Evangel Christian

**B) ENROLLMENT CRITERIA**

The basis for determining the schools to be placed in Class 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A will be the average total enrollment in grades 9-12 of a coeducational school including all special education students for the two most recent years available for the entire membership at the time of classification. The Board of Control shall ensure that an upward adjustment is made for the enrollment of a school with less than a full high school course, and for schools enrolling boys only (double).

**C) CLASSIFICATION**

Initial classification is based on enrollment data verified by the Kentucky Department of Education for the two years through the enrollment of the 2006-2007 school year.

- 1) Classification Plan for the 2007 and 2008 playing seasons.
  - a) The enrollment data used to determine the class boundaries shall be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Education or other verifiable sources in the case of non-public schools.
  - b) The classification shall be for a two-year period, which may be extended by the Board of Control.
  - c) The schools shall be placed in enrollment ranked order (after adjustment for single-sex schools)
  - d) The school shall then be placed into approximately equal divisions based on the number of classes approved by the Board of Control. For example, if there are 222 schools, and 6 classes, 37 shall be in each class.
  - e) The highest and lowest enrollment average from each class shall form the bounds of the class for the purpose of making adjustments after two years.
  - f) If there are an odd number of schools or the number of schools is not evenly divisible by the number of classes, the extra teams shall be placed from the lowest class first, up to the highest class. For example, if there were 220 teams and six (6) classes, there would be 36 in 5A and 6A, and 37 in 1A, 2A 3A and 4A.
  - g) If the ranking and division leaves two or more teams with equal enrollments at the dividing point for class division, the Board of Control shall determine which teams go into each class. First preference is to use enrollment data at levels other than the top four (4) grades to determine the class boundaries. If the enrollment data does not yield a clear conclusion, the teams going into each class shall be drawn by random chance by drawing by lot or by coin toss.
- 2) Classification Plan for the 2009 and 2010 playing seasons.
  - a) The enrollment data used to determine the class boundaries shall be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Education or other verifiable sources in the case of non-public schools.
  - b) The classification shall be for a two-year period, which may be extended by the Board of Control.
  - c) The Board shall review those schools that have had an enrollment change of twelve (12) percent or more since the initial classification, and make necessary adjustments.
- 3) If at any time during the classification period, a school withdraws from playoff competition, it shall not be eligible until the end of the classification period.
- 4) The Board shall attempt to ensure that districts shall not fall below four (4) teams and that travel distance is the primary determinant in both alignment decisions, and decisions involving playoff pairings.
- 5) The average enrollment shall be computed again for the previous two years using the enrollment data from not earlier than the 2006-2007 school year as the first of the average years in order to make adjustments to begin with the 2009 season.
- D) District CHAMPION
  - 1) Class 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A will be divided into two semi-states with four regions in each semi-state, and those four regions having two districts in each region.
  - 2) To be eligible to be champion, runner-up, third place or fourth place position of a district, a team shall play all other teams assigned to their district.
  - 3) The champion, runner-up, third place or fourth place position in each district shall be determined by the win-loss record based upon the games played against opponents in the district. Only games scheduled by contract prior to the first legal playing date and played before the first weekend of the state playoffs shall be used in determining a district winner or runner-up.
    - a) TIE-BREAKER (two teams). In the case of a tie for the champion, runner-up, third place or fourth place position between two teams based upon the win-loss record, the team that won the game contested between the two tied teams shall be declared the winner.
    - b) TIE-BREAKER (more than two teams). If three or more teams tie for the a district position based upon the win-loss record, the position shall be determined by the following:
      - i) If one of the teams has defeated each of the other teams tied in games contested between them, that team shall be declared to hold the highest position, and the winner of the game between the remaining teams (if less than four) shall



be declared the second highest position. In the event of more than three teams being tied, where one has defeated each of the tied teams, that team shall be declared the highest position, and the tie-breaking procedure shall be re-applied for the remaining tied teams.

- ii) If the tie remains, each team tied for the position shall receive one point for each game won by any four of their defeated opponents in all games, except for the games played between any two of the tied teams. All games played shall be counted in applying the tie-breaking procedure, including out of state games, with the exception that a defeated school may be counted only once in the procedure regardless of the number of games played against that particular school. Teams awarded forfeit victories (whether or not a forfeit fee is paid) may count the defeated opponents of the forfeiting team, provided the game was not replaced on the schedule.
- iii) If the tie remains after application of provision (ii), an additional defeated opponent's wins will be added to the point total for each team until the tie is broken and the winner of the tied position declared, or until all games are exhausted.
- iv) If the tie for the position involves only three teams, and the application of (ii) and (iii) results in one team being declared the winner of the tied position based on point totals, the highest point total from the application of (ii) and (iii) between the two remaining tied teams shall be declared to hold the next position.
- v) If the tie for the championship involves more than three teams, and the application of (ii) and (iii) results in one team being declared the winner of the tied position based on point totals, the procedure shall then be re-applied to determine the next position.
- vi) If the tie for the position involves more than three teams, and the application of (ii) and (iii) results in two teams remaining tied for the position based on points, the head to head game played between them shall break the tie, and head to head competition will break any remaining ties.
- viii) If a tie results after application of all provisions of the above plan, the tie shall be broken as directed by the Commissioner ~~Board of Control~~.

## II) Dates and Times for Playoff Games

- A) Playoff competition will begin on the Friday or Saturday two weeks prior to Thanksgiving Day. Beginning in 2009, playoff competition will begin on the Friday or Saturday three weeks prior to Thanksgiving Day. All playoff contests shall be held on Friday unless there exists a mutual agreement between the schools to hold the game on another day due to field conditions or availability, availability of officials, or in the mutual best interests of the competing teams.
- 1) The top four teams as determined by intra-district records after all tie breakers have been applied will qualify for the championship playoffs. The finishing position within the Region shall hereinafter be referred to as the "seeded position".
- 2) The playoffs shall be cross bracketed beginning with the first round in accordance with the following chart, and such chart shall form the order of the bracket for the five rounds of the playoffs. In the chart, the first column represents the Class and Region label for playoff awards and bracketing. The playoff bracketing for 2009 and 2010 is tentative.

Region	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
1A-R1	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D4	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2
1A-R2	D3 vs. D4	D2 vs. D3	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4
1A-R3	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D8	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6
1A-R4	D7 vs. D8	D6 vs. D7	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8
2A-R1	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D3	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2
2A-R2	D3 vs. D5	D2 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4
2A-R3	D4 vs. D6	D5 vs. D7	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6
2A-R4	D7 vs. D8	D6 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8

3A-R1	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D4	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2
3A-R2	D3 vs. D4	D2 vs. D3	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4
3A-R3	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D8	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6
3A-R4	D7 vs. D8	D6 vs. D7	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8
4A-R1	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D4	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2
4A-R2	D3 vs. D6	D2 vs. D3	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4
4A-R3	D4 vs. D5	D5 vs. D8	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6
4A-R4	D7 vs. D8	D6 vs. D7	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8
5A-R1		D1 vs. D4	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D2
5A-R2		D2 vs. D3	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4	D3 vs. D4
5A-R3		D5 vs. D8	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6	D5 vs. D6
5A-R4		D6 vs. D7	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8
6A-R1		D1 vs. D3	D1 vs. D5	D1 vs. D2	D1 vs. D4
6A-R2		D2 vs. D4	D2 vs. D3	D3 vs. D6	D2 vs. D7
6A-R3		D5 vs. D7	D6 vs. D7	D4 vs. D5	D3 vs. D5
6A-R4		D6 vs. D8	D4 vs. D8	D7 vs. D8	D6 vs. D8

- 3) In each Class and Region unless otherwise noted, the first place team from the paired districts on the cross bracket chart will host the first round game against the fourth place team from the paired district, the second place team from the paired districts on the cross bracket chart will host the third place team from the paired district. In the second round the winner of the game between first and fourth place cross bracketed teams will play the winner of the game between the second and third place cross bracketed teams. All other districts will use the same playoff pattern. In all games in the second round, the team with the highest seeded position (finishing position in the district) shall host the game.
- 4) The highest seed (finishing position in the district) shall host the regional championship game (third round). If teams with the same seeding meet in the third round, the team representing the even-numbered District shall host the games in even-numbered years, while the team representing the odd-numbered District shall host the game in odd-numbered years. If the paired districts are both even or both odd, the highest numbered district shall host the game in even numbered years and the lowest numbered district shall host the game in odd numbered years.
- 5) For the semi-state round (fourth round), the champion of region 1 will play the champion of Region 2 while the champion of Region 3 will play the champion of Region 4. The team representing the even-numbered Region shall host the games in even-numbered years, while the team representing the odd-numbered Region shall host the game in odd-numbered years.
- 6) Winners of the fourth round games will play for the class championships.
- 7) The Board of Control shall review and consider for revision, the playoff pairings at any time.
- B) No playoff game shall be scheduled or played on a date or time that requires a loss of school time.
- C) The site of all games during the first four rounds in all classes shall be determined by the designated home team.
- D) The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

## III) Game Managers

The Principal of the home school or his/her designee shall serve as the manager for each game of the football playoffs with the exception of the final game in each class, and shall be responsible for ensuring that the game arrangements are complete. The principals of the competing schools, or their representatives shall agree on all matters pertaining to the game, including but not limited to, date and starting time, admission charges, expenses, and allocation of reserved seat tickets for the game. Disagreement on any of these items shall be referred to the Commissioner, whose decision in the matter shall be final.

It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the

association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The Commissioner shall serve as the manager for the state football playoff finals and shall handle all arrangements for the games. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event.

#### **IV) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

To be eligible to compete in postseason competition, a member school team shall have competed in games against all teams in a district during the regular season.

#### **V) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

At the state finals, only a squad of fifty-nine (59) persons, including all support personnel shall be included in the expense reimbursement. The roster or eligibility list for the players on the team shall be submitted to the game manager in accordance with the schedule provided prior to the start of the championship game for each playoff class. Cheerleaders from participating schools will be admitted in uniform to each contest.

#### **VI) Officials**

For regular season games, football officials are paid \$50 per game per official for a five (5) person crew. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage.

Officials for all KHSAA sponsored state championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission. Only KHSAA Level 2 or Level 3 officials shall be used in all rounds of the state football playoffs. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner. Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to playoff contests. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

The Board of Control has established fees for postseason play. In all tournament levels, two members of the crew of officials are to be paid a mileage allowance for a maximum of two cars based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee. Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

First round playoff officials shall be paid a fee of \$65.00 per game and shall be assigned to a five-person crew from outside the local associations of both teams.

Second round playoff officials shall be paid a fee of \$70.00 per game and shall be assigned to a five-person crew from outside the local associations of both teams.

Third round playoff officials shall be paid a fee of \$75.00 per game and shall be assigned to a five-person crew from outside the local associations of both teams.

Fourth round (semifinal) officials shall be paid a fee of \$80.00 per game and shall be assigned to a five-person crew from outside the local associations of both teams.

State championship officials shall be paid a fee of \$85.00 per game and shall be assigned to a five-person crew.

#### **VII) Champion**

The champion of each class shall be the winner of the game played in the final game.

#### **VIII) Trophies and Awards**

##### **A) District, Region and Semi-State**

1) Trophies will be given to each district, region and semi-state winner and runner-up.

2) The cost of the district, region and semi-state trophies shall be paid from the gate receipts.

##### **B) State**

1) The state champions and runner-up in each class shall receive a trophy.

2) The state champion and runner-up shall receive fifty-nine (59) individual medals.

#### **IX) Finances**

##### **A) FIRST, SECOND, THIRD and FOURTH ROUND**

1) The proceeds of all playoff games, with the exception of the final game in each class, will be used to defray the expenses of the visiting team, officials, trophies, and other necessary expenses.

2) If no agreement can be reached on lodging, meal, and travel expenses, it is recommended that the gross gate be divided evenly between the teams after the payment of officials and trophies. This encourages the visiting team to minimize the travel expenses and the home team to control game costs and eliminates the perception of inflated costs by either the traveling team or home management.

3) There shall be no allowable expense for field or facility rental unless such can be documented by the payment of rental to an outside entity. If such allowable expense is to be paid, the amount shall be the exact amount paid to the outside entity.

4) If no other agreement can be reached, using the state expense allowance is recommended. For the third and fourth round, schools are encouraged to consider a mileage allowance to be paid to the visitors prior to the gate split due to the potential of substantial travel distances involved.

##### **B) STATE FINALS**

1) The Association will finance the final game in each class. Expenses for lodging and meals and an allowance for team travel will be paid to each participating school. The squad for expense reimbursement purposes shall be limited to fifty-nine (59) persons, including the principal, coaches, team members, cheerleaders, cheer sponsor and other personnel.

2) Schools failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit the lodging allowance.

3) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip) for two vehicles, \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.

4) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each state tournament.

#### **X) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

##### **A) Tied Games**

If the score is tied at the end of any game, it will be broken in accordance with the National Federation tie-breaking procedure enumerated in the Football Rules Book. The National Federation 10-yard tie-breaker procedure shall be used.

##### **B) Choice of Ends of Field**

The visiting team shall have the choice as to the end of the field on which they want to warm up.

##### **C) Officials Jurisdiction**

Game officials shall assume jurisdiction over the contest one hour before time for the game.

##### **D) Specifications of Fields and Game Balls**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for fields to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

##### **E) Running Clock Provisions**

The Association shall utilize provisions of the National Federation playing rules which allow for the clock to continue running (with the exception of a charged time-out) when the score reaches a 45-point differential at half-time or afterwards in any varsity contest.

1) After the first half, any time the score differential reaches 45 points or more, the following changes will be made regarding rules determining when the clock will be stopped or started. The clock shall continue to run from the point that the differential

occurs (without regard to a later return to less than the differential) with the following clarifications:

- 2) The clock SHALL STOP when an official's time-out is called as in the following specific 3-5-7 occurrences, and shall subsequently start on the READY FOR PLAY signal:
  - a) For measurement of a possible first down,
  - b) When captains and coaches are notified of the time remaining,
  - c) For a player who appears to be injured,
  - d) For a player in need of equipment repair,
  - e) When a coach-referee conference occurs,
  - f) After a foul, to administer a penalty,
  - g) For any unusual delay in getting the ball ready to play,
  - h) Following the try, successful FG or safety.,
  - i) A score occurs. Following a try, field goal, or safety, the clock shall start on the ready for play. Following a 6-point touchdown, the clock shall remain stopped for the PAT, but shall resume on the ready for play for the ensuing kickoff,
- 3) The clock SHALL STOP when an official's time-out is called as in the following specific 3-5-7 occurrences, and shall subsequently start on the SNAP:
  - a) For unusual heat or humidity which may create a health risk to the players,
  - b) For an approved TV/radio time-out,
  - c) A charged time-out is called,
  - d) At the end of a period
  - e) The clock SHALL NOT STOP when an official's time-out is called as in the following specific 3-5-7 occurrences:
    - e) When a first down is declared,
    - f) Following a change of team possession,
    - g) To dry or change the game ball.

NOTE: The use of this rule does not preclude the use of NFHS Rule 3-1-3 that reads: "A period or periods may be shortened in any emergency by agreement of the opposing coaches and the referee. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and the referee, any remaining periods may be shortened at any time or the game terminated."

#### F) Interrupted Games

- 1) Refer to NFHS Playing Rule 3-1-4 as KHSAA has authority to determine procedure for game ending.
- 2) If game interrupted and cannot be resumed, three choices exist-
  - a) Terminate game with score as it exists;
  - b) Resume game at point of interruption at a mutually agreed date and time. This decision shall be finalized at the site prior to team departure.
  - c) Resume the game on the following calendar day, unless published Board policies prohibit such play, in which case it shall be played the following day.
- 3) If game interrupted
  - a) Same crew of officials expected to return to complete contest
  - b) Substitute officials shall be paid the local policy board mileage add-on only
  - c) Local associations shall develop policy on compensation of substitute officials (such as pooling game fees, etc)
  - d) Officials have no say in the postponement decisions, except to moderate discussion.
  - e) Officials and coaches shall involve not solely coaches, but school administrators in the decision.
  - f) All involved shall remember that this situation is caused by elements such as weather that are uncontrollable by anyone, and keep the discussions in that perspective.

#### G) Additional Rules for Contests

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

#### XI) School Personnel to Accompany Team

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and

approved by the local Board of Education.  
(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS Governing Golf Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

### **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in golf for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for boys' golf will be as follows —

REGION 1 - Ballard Memorial, Caldwell County, Calloway County, Carlisle County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian, Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Graves County, Heath, Hickman County, Livingston Central, Lone Oak, Lyon County, Marshall County, Mayfield, Murray, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, St. Mary, Trigg County

REGION 2 - Apollo, Breckinridge County, Butler County, Christian County, Daviess County, Dawson Springs, Fort Campbell, Hancock County, Henderson County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Madisonville-North Hopkins, McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic, Union County, Webster County, University Heights

REGION 3 - Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Bowling Green, Caverna, Clinton County, Cumberland County, Edmonson County, Franklin-Simpson, Glasgow, Greenwood, Hart County, Logan County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County, Russellville, Todd County Central, Warren Central, Warren East

REGION 4 - Adair County, Anderson County, Bardstown, Bethlehem, Boyle County, Burgin, Campbellsville, Casey County, Danville, East Jessamine, Garrard County, Green County, Larue County, Lincoln County, Marion County, Mercer County, Nelson County, Russell County, Taylor County, Washington County, West Jessamine

REGION 5 - Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Butler, Central, Central Hardin, DeSales, Doss, Elizabethtown, Evangel, Fairdale, Fort Knox, Grayson County, Holy Cross (Louisville), Iroquois, John Hardin, Larue County, Meade County, North Bullitt, North Hardin, Pleasure Ridge Park, Portland Christian, Shawnee, Southern, Spencer County, Valley, Western

REGION 6 - Atherton, Ballard, Brown, Christian Academy-Louisville, DuPont Manual, Eastern, Fern Creek, Henry County, Whitefield Academy, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Moore, North Oldham, Oldham County, Seneca, Shelby County, South Oldham, St. Xavier, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener, Walden

REGION 7 - Beechwood, Boone County, Calvary Christian, Carroll County, Conner, Cooper, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Dixie Heights, Gallatin County, Heritage, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Owen County, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton, St. Henry District, Trimble County, Villa Madonna, Walton-Verona

REGION 8 - Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Bracken County, Campbell County, Dayton, Deming, Fleming County, Grant County, Harrison County, Highlands, Mason County, Newport, Newport Central Catholic, Nicholas County, Pendleton County, Silver Grove, St. Patrick, Williamstown

REGION 9 - Berea, Bourbon County, Bryan Station, Frankfort, Franklin County, George Rogers Clark, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model, Paris, Paul Dunbar, Sayre, Scott County, Bates Creek, Western Hills, Woodford County

REGION 10 - Barbourville, Bell County, Clay County, Corbin, Harlan, Jackson County, Knox Central, Lee County, Lynn Camp, McCreary Central, Middlesboro, Monticello, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist Institute, Owsley County, Pineville, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Somerset, South Laurel, Southwestern, Wayne County, Whitley County, Williamsburg

REGION 11 - Allen Central, Belfry, Betsy Layne, Breathitt County, East Ridge, Estill County, Hazard, Jenkins, Johnson Central, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Perry County Central, Phelps, Piarist, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Powell County, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark, Shelby Valley, South Floyd, Wolfe County

REGION 12 - Ashland Blazer, Bath County, Boyd County, East Carter, Elliott County, Fairview, Greenup County, Lewis County, Menifee County, Montgomery County, Morgan County, Raceland, Rose Hill, Rowan County, Russell, West Carter,

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for girls' golf is as follows —

REGION 1 - Ballard Memorial, Caldwell County, Carlisle County, Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Graves County, Heath, Hickman County, Livingston Central, Lone Oak, Lyon County, Marshall County, Mayfield, Murray, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, St. Mary, Trigg County

REGION 2 - Apollo, Breckinridge County, Butler County, Christian County, Daviess County, Fort Campbell, Hancock County, Henderson County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Madisonville-North Hopkins, McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic, Union County, Webster County

REGION 3 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Butler, Central, Central Hardin, Doss, Elizabethtown, Evangel Christian, Fort Knox, Grayson County, Holy Cross (Louisville), Iroquois, John Hardin, Larue County, Marion County, Meade County, Nelson County, North Bullitt, North Hardin, Pleasure Ridge Park, Portland Christian, Presentation, Shawnee, Southern, Spencer County, Valley, Washington County, Western

REGION 4 - Adair County, Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Bowling Green, Campbellsville, Caverna, Clinton County, Cumberland County, Edmonson County, Franklin-Simpson, Glasgow, Green County, Greenwood, Hart County, Logan County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County, Russellville, Taylor County, Todd County Central, Warren Central, Warren East

REGION 5 - Atherton, Assumption, Ballard, Christian Academy-Louisville, DuPont Manual, Eastern, Fern Creek, Henry County, Whitefield Academy, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Mercy, Moore, North Oldham, Oldham County, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Shelby County, South Oldham, Waggener, Walden

REGION 6 - Beechwood, Bellevue, Boone County, Carroll County, Conner, Cooper, Dixie Heights, Gallatin County, Grant County, Highlands, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Newport Central Catholic, Notre Dame, Owen County, Ryle, St. Henry District, Simon Kenton, Trimble County, Villa Madonna, Walton Verona, Williamstown

REGION 7 - Berea, Anderson County, Boyle County, Bryan Station, Burgin, Danville, East Jessamine, Frankfort, Franklin County, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Mercer County, Model, Paul Dunbar, Sayre, Bates Creek, West Jessamine, Western Hills, Woodford County

REGION 8 - Bishop Brossart, Bourbon County, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Deming, George Rogers Clark, Harrison County, Mason County, Nicholas County, Paris, Pendleton County, Scott, Scott County, St. Patrick,

REGION 9 - Barbourville, Bell County, Casey County, Clay County, Corbin, Garrard County, Harlan, Harlan County, Jackson County, Knox Central, Lincoln County, Lynn Camp, McCreary Central, Middlesboro, Monticello, North Laurel, Pineville, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Russell County, Somerset, South Laurel, Southwestern, Wayne County, Whitley County, Williamsburg

REGION 10 - Allen Central, Belfry, Betsy Layne, Breathitt County, East Ridge, Estill County, Hazard, Jenkins, Johnson Central, June Buchanan, Letcher County Central, Magoffin County, Owsley County, Paintsville, Perry County Central, Phelps, Piarist, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Powell County, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark, South Floyd, Wolfe County

REGION 11 - Ashland Blazer, Bath County, Boyd County, East Carter, Fleming County, Greenup County, Lawrence County, Lewis County, Menifee County, Montgomery County, Morgan County, Raceland, Rose Hill, Rowan County, Russell, West Carter

### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall



determine the dates and sites of the regional and state tournaments. All tournaments will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request to the KHSAA or a designated representative of the Association in writing prior to June 1 of the tournament year. The applicant shall supply information relating to course layout and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Application forms for hosting tournaments in all sports are provided to each member school by the Association.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournaments after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Tournament Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional tournaments and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each tournament manager to notify the regional schools of the time and place of the tournament, to supply the proper entry blanks, to invite the participation of all of the schools, and to make all arrangements for the tournament. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

### IV) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play

To be eligible to compete in the regional or state tournament, a contestant shall have competed in at least four matches on a team or as an individual representing a member school during the regular season. Coaches shall maintain and have available copies of all results for the regional manager to verify in case of a challenge to the required participation minimums by any athlete.

For team competition, a school may enter four or five players in the regional tournament. A school with less than four entrants may enter not more than three players who can compete as individuals in the regional tournament. If a school enters five players, only the four lowest scorers will be counted in both regional and state tournament play. A school entering four or five players into the regional tournament may not enter players in addition to a team.

All entrants from a school entering four or five players accumulate team points toward the team championship in accordance with the provisions under part VII, Champion.

### V) Contestants

A school may list an unlimited number of entrants on an Eligibility List (KHSAA Form GE15) which is to be submitted to the manager of the regional tournament not later than one week prior to the start of the tournament.

At the discretion of the Association, an entry form may substitute for KHSAA Form GE15. This list shall include all names of anyone who is to be eligible to participate in the postseason as additions to the list are not allowed, with the exception of a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14. Each manager is responsible for the forwarding of the list to future rounds of tournament play.

A school may enter a maximum of five (5) players in the regional tournament that shall be players who appeared on the entry or eligibility list submitted originally. Any player whose name is on the entry or eligibility list may be substituted on a team prior to the time of play for both the regional and state tournaments.

The winning and runner-up teams (4 or 5 players) from the regional tournaments will advance to the state tournament. In addition, the four lowest girls' scorers, and the three lowest boys' scorers, not on the regional winning or runner-up team, will advance. The coach shall secure the proper entry blank for the state tournament prior to leaving the site of the regional tournament.

### VI) Rules and Style of Play

The tournament manager and rules official shall establish a committee and determine the conditions of play. For the regional tournaments as well as the first round of the state tournament,

the manager will arrange the players in groups, based on average scores. Second round pairings will be made at the close of the first 18 holes. In the state tournament, there will be a cut after the first day of play. During play, the contestants may receive advice from the designated high school coach in accordance with the KHSAA Golf Coaching Advice Rule. Each player shall carry his/her own clubs or pull a cart. United States Golf Association Rules shall apply unless modified by the KHSAA. For the regional tournaments, stroke play for 18 holes will be the style of play while at the state tournament, stroke play for 36 holes, 18 holes per day, will be the style of play.

### VII) Champion

The team champion of each regional tournament is the four or five-person team with the lowest aggregate score for four golfers playing 18 holes. The individual champion at the regional tournament is the golfer with the lowest score. The team champion of the state tournament shall be the four or five-person team with the lowest aggregate score for four golfers playing 36 holes, and the champion is the individual with the lowest score for 36 holes. The champion (team and individual) will be determined after 18 holes if the second round is canceled or not entirely completed. The tournament committee may cancel the tournament if they deem it advisable because of conditions beyond their control.

### VIII) Trophies and Awards

#### A) Region.

- 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up.
- 2) Awards will be given to each team winner and runner-up team member.
- 3) Awards will be given to the individual winner and runner-up.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

#### B) State.

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state tournament.
- 2) The five individuals on the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth will receive awards at the state tournament.
- 3) Awards will be given to the individuals finishing first, second, third and fourth.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

### IX) Finances

#### A) Region

- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

#### B) State

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state meet.

### X) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules

#### A) Specifications for Golf Courses

The specifications for recommended and required standards for golf courses to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

#### B) Additional Rules for Contests

Additional rules otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

### X) School Personnel to Accompany Team

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education. (*See Case Situations on Page 98-99*)

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS Governing Soccer Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

### **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in soccer for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.. As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for soccer is as follows -

Section 1, Sub-Section 1, Region 1, District 1 - Heath, Hickman County, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, St. Mary

Section 1, Sub-Section 1, Region 1, District 2 - Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Graves County, Marshall County, Mayfield, Murray

Section 1, Sub-Section 1, Region 2, District 3 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, Todd County Central, University Heights

Section 1, Sub-Section 1, Region 2, District 4 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Crittenden County, Lyon County, Trigg County

Section 1, Sub-Section 2, Region 3, District 5 - Henderson County, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins, Union County, Webster County

Section 1, Sub-Section 2, Region 3, District 6 - Apollo, Daviess County, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic Section 1, Sub-Section 2, Region 4, District 7 -Butler County, Franklin Simpson, Grayson County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Russellville

Section 1, Sub-Section 2, Region 4, District 8 - Barren County, Bowling Green, Glasgow, Greenwood, Monroe County, Warren East, Warren Central

Section 2, Sub-Section 3, Region 5, District 9 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Nelson County, North Bullitt, Washington County

Section 2, Sub-Section 3, Region 5, District 10 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, Meade County, North Hardin

Section 2, Sub-Section 3, Region 6, District 11 - Butler, DeSales, Iroquois, Holy Cross, Doss, Pleasure Ridge Park, Western, Valley

Section 2, Sub-Section 3, Region 6, District 12 - Male, DuPont Manual, Central, St. Xavier, St. Francis, Brown, Mercy, Presentation

Section 2, Sub-Section 4, Region 7, District 13 - Louisville Collegiate, Waggener, Atherton, Trinity, Sacred Heart, Assumption

Section 2, Sub-Section 4, Region 7, District 14 - Fairdale, Fern Creek, Whitefield Academy, Seneca, Evangel, Moore, Southern

Section 2, Sub-Section 4, Region 8, District 15 - Ballard, Eastern, Christian Academy, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day, Walden

Section 2, Sub-Section 4, Region 8, District 16 - Carroll County, Henry County, North Oldham, Oldham County, Shelby County, South Oldham, Spencer County

Section 3, Sub-Section 5, Region 9, District 17 - Boone County, Conner, Lloyd Memorial, Ryle, St. Henry

Section 3, Sub-Section 5, Region 9, District 18 - Calvary Christian, Dixie Heights, Scott, Simon Kenton, Villa Madonna

Section 3, Sub-Section 5, Region 10, District 19 - Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Campbell County, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic

Section 3, Sub-Section 5, Region 10, District 20 - Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Ludlow, Notre Dame

Section 3, Sub-Section 6, Region 11, District 21 - Fleming County, Menifee County, Jackson City, Bath County, Rowan County

Section 3, Sub-Section 6, Region 11, District 22 - Ashland Blazer, Greenup County, East Carter, West Carter, Boyd County, Russell, Rose Hill

Section 3, Sub-Section 6, Region 12, District 23 - Grant County, Mason County, St. Patrick, Pendleton County, Walton-Verona

Section 3, Sub-Section 6, Region 12, District 24 - Bourbon County,

George Rogers Clark, Harrison County, Montgomery County, Paris Section 4, Sub-Section 7, Region 13, District 25 - Anderson County, Franklin County, Frankfort, Owen County, Western Hills, Woodford County

Section 4, Sub-Section 7, Region 13, District 26 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County, Tates Creek

Section 4, Sub-Section 7, Region 14, District 27 - East Jessamine, Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Dunbar, West Jessamine

Section 4, Sub-Section 7, Region 14, District 28 - Berea, Estill County, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

Section 4, Sub-Section 8, Region 15, District 29 - Boyle County, Campbellsville, Danville, Garrard County, Marion County, Mercer County, Taylor County

Section 4, Sub-Section 8, Region 15, District 30 - Adair County, Lincoln County, Mc Creary Central, Pulaski County, Russell County, Somerset, Southwestern

Section 4, Sub-Section 8, Region 16, District 31 - Corbin, Middlesboro, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist, South Laurel

Section 4, Sub-Section 8, Region 16, District 32 - Buckhorn, East Ridge, Hazard, Letcher County Central, Perry County Central, Pikeville, Shelby Valley

Section 4, Sub-Section 8, Region 16, District 33 - Belfry, Johnson Central, Paintsville, Pike County Central, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark

### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

District tournament sites shall be selected by a site selection plan approved by a unanimous vote of the schools eligible to compete in each district tournament. If a district is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Board of Control shall establish a plan.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, shall be allowed to vote for the district tournament location or participate in the tournament

For the boys' regional tournaments in even numbered years, the host shall be the district winner in the even numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district runner-up in the even numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district winner in the odd numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district runner up in the odd numbered district. This pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the host school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site. However, this would not alter the "Odd/even" rotation sequence for future post season tournaments.

For the boys' sub-section, the even numbered region winner will host the sub-section contest in even numbered years. This hosting pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the winning region school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament, at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site.

For the boys' sectional tournaments, the even numbered sub-section winner will host the section contest in even numbered years. This pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the winning sub-section school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament, at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site.

For the girls' regional tournaments in even numbered years, the host shall be the district winner in the odd numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district runner-up in the odd numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district winner in the even numbered district. If that school does not desire to host, the opportunity shall next be offered to the district runner up in the even numbered district. This pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the host school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site. However, this would not alter the "Odd/even" rotation sequence for future post season tournaments.

For the girls' sub-section, the odd numbered region winner will host the sub-section contest in even numbered years. This hosting pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the winning region school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament, at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site.

For the girls' sectional tournaments, the odd numbered sub-section

winner will host the section contest in even numbered years. This pattern will rotate in odd numbered years. If the winning sub-section school/site declines to host the Regional Tournament, at its home site, it will be that school's responsibility to find a host site.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Tournament Managers

The principal of the host school shall designate an official of the school to serve as the manager for each district tournament. The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional, sub-sectional and sectional tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each district, regional, sub-section (if appropriate) and section tournament manager to invite representatives of the participating teams in the tournament to a meeting held for the purpose of making tournament plans.

It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The representatives of the schools participating in each tournament, by majority vote, shall set the dates and times of the games, and make all other arrangements necessary to conduct the tournament. The Commissioner will direct the drawing and all of the business necessary to conduct the state tournament.

### IV) District Tournament Seeding Regulations

A) For district tournaments with three teams, the district tournament shall be seeded in accordance with the following three-team seeding regulations:

- 1) Each team in a three-team district is required to play the other two teams in the district in two contests each year, at mutually agreed sites. These games will produce a uniform means of ranking the teams by seed within these districts.
- 2) The team with the highest seed (one seed) receives a bye in the district tournament, and advances to the championship game.
- 3) The remaining two teams would play in the first round of the district tournament with the loser of that game being eliminated.
- 4) In the case of a two-way tie for the district winning position, the winner in the second game played between the tied district opponents would have the higher finishing position.
- 5) In the case of a three-way tie for the district winning position, the tie would be resolved in the following manner. If any of the tie-breakers results in one of the teams being ahead of the other two, the tie is broken. If any of the tie-breakers result in two teams remaining ahead of the third, then the two-way tie breaker shall be used to determine the winner between those two.
  - a) The tie-breaking mechanisms (in order) shall be:
    - i) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the second game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - ii) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the first game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - iii) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in all seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - iv) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in the second of each of the seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - v) If the tie is still unbreakable, then a blind draw among the three teams shall break the tie.
  - b) Additional tie-breaking mechanisms may be added, and

would be uniform for all three-team districts.

B) For district tournaments with four or more teams, the district tournament brackets may be drawn by random lot or placed into the bracket using a seeding system. A majority vote (recorded in writing) of the Principals, Athletic Directors or Designated Representatives of the schools in the district is required in order to make or change seeding decisions. In the absence of any documentation, minutes or other verification, the districts shall not be seeded. The regulations concerning the seeding of a district with four or more teams are as follows:

- 1) The decision to seed and the method used in seeding (including all tie-breakers) shall be determined by majority vote of the participating teams in the district and the manager shall record this vote in writing and submit it to the Association. The representatives making the written declaration shall decide all issues related to seeding,
- 2) Seeding methods shall be determined prior to the start of the regular season, recorded in writing with a copy provided to the KHSAA, and shall remain in place until a majority vote of the participating schools rescinds or changes the seeding decisions. Such changes to the district seeding plan may not be made for the current year once play has begun in the regular season.
- 3) In the event of dispute, the current copy on file with the KHSAA shall prevail in determining resolution.
- 4) Seeding plans may, at the discretion of the majority vote of the schools, stipulate a particular team to a particular seeded position.
- 5) It shall be the district tournament manager's responsibility to update the Association with respect to any changes to the seeding decision or method being used and any relevant tiebreakers. In the absence of this documentation, consultation with, and written verification and documentation from, prior year tournament managers, will be utilized by staff to assist with interpretation and clarification.
- 6) There is no statewide regulation on a seeding method once the determination has been made to seed. Some of the more common and recommended means of seeding is the record of games played within a district provided all teams have played all other teams. In that case, each district shall adopt tie-breaking procedures in the event that the primary method of seeding results in a tie or other situations arise which cause an alteration in the scheduled seeding method. Among the more common tie-breaking methods are 1) seeding by overall win-loss record; seeding by win-loss record in specific contests, 3) seeding by a rating/ranking from a statewide poll, 3) seeding by a majority vote, 4) seeding by a committee, and 5) seeding by a rating turned in by each school.
- 7) If win-loss records are used for seeding, the records used shall be the records as of the date of the pre-tournament meeting as published on the KHSAA memorandum calendar. Teams and school representatives may meet during the regular season to discuss tournament operations (i.e. dates, times, sites, tournament personnel needs, etc.). However if an organizational meeting is held prior to the published date on the calendar, no discussions may be held regarding the bracketing or pairings of specific teams unless all mandated seeded games have been played prior to the meeting. Games played after the published meeting date SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.
- 8) Seeded games unable to be played for any reason (with the exception of verified forfeited contests) prior to the published date for the district tournament meetings will be recorded as a win and a loss for both teams in computing seeded position.
- 9) If a change in the alignment of teams moves a single new team into a previously seeded district, the previous decision as to seeding shall prevail. If the new team enters the alignment following the completion of all game contracts and the new team is unable to schedule all required opponents, the new team shall be seeded in the last position for the current season, and shall be included in seeded game scheduling for the subsequent seasons.
- 10) If a change in the alignment of teams moves more than one team into a seeded district, the district teams shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote will result in the seeding decision remaining the same.



- 11) If the Board of Control approves a total realignment of teams within a district, the teams in the district shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote in this situation shall result in the district being not seeded.

#### V) Tournament Meetings and Pairings

- A) District (non-seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams. The principal or his/her representative shall conduct the drawing for each school. The pairings for the district tournament shall be made in accordance with the following procedure, with all byes being arranged to be in the first round:

- 1) The number of places to be considered shall be four, eight, sixteen, thirty-two, etc. Of the above numbers, the one that is next greater than the number of teams in the drawing shall be considered in the drawing. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket.
- 2) If the number of teams in the drawing is less than the number of places to be considered, the even number 2 shall be designated as the first bye; the largest even number as the second bye; number 4 as the third bye; the next largest even number as the fourth bye; and so on until the number of places not so designated equals the number of teams in the drawing. The places shall be determined by drawing by lot, the numbers assigned to the "byes" having been first taken from the numbers to be drawn.
- 3) The teams which pair with "byes" shall have a rest period during the first round of the playing of games in the tournament.
- 4) The winner of the No. 1 and No. 2 games shall play the winner of the No. 3 and No. 4 game. The winner of the No. 5 game and No. 6 game shall play the winner of No. 7 and No. 8 game. The two winners shall play for the championship. The same general procedure shall be used in the case of more than eight places or teams.
- 5) The district champion and the runner-up of each tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.

- B) District (seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all seeded district games.

- 1) Recommended Point System for Seeded District Play
  - a) Each team shall play each district opponent at least once during the regular season.
  - b) Each team is awarded three (3) points for a win
  - c) Each team is awarded one (1) point for a tie
  - d) Each team is awarded zero (0) points for loss
  - e) The team that has the highest point total will be awarded the number one (1) seed. The team with the second highest point total will be the number two seed. The team with the third highest point total will be the number three seed. The team with the fourth highest point total will be the fourth seed. The team with the fifth highest point total will be the fifth seed. Etc.
  - f) Tie breaker Procedures
    - i) In the event of a two way tie after point calculations and each team plays each other once, the winner of the regular season contest will be the higher seed in the tournament bracket.
    - ii) In the event of a two way tie after point calculations and district teams choose two play each other more than once, the winner of the last game will be awarded the higher seed.
    - iii) In the event there are multiple ties, a district may choose an alternative method for determining the highest seed.
    - iv) a blind draw would determine the higher seed winner
    - v) the team that allowed the fewest goals in district play would be awarded the higher seed.
- 2) After seeding positions have been determined, the seeded bracket pairings shall be observed. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket. The brackets (from top down) are as follows:

- a) 3 Teams – Seed 2 plays 3, Seed 1 plays winner of Seed 2 vs. Seed 3 for championship.
- b) 4 Teams - Seed 1 plays 4, 2 plays 3, winners meet for championship.
- c) 5 Teams - Seed 5 plays 4, 1 plays winner of 5 vs. 4, 2 plays 3, remaining winners meet for championship.
- d) 6 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 plays winner of 3 vs. 6, remaining winners meet for championship.
- e) 7 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
- f) 8 Teams - Seed 1 plays 8, 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 vs. 8 winner plays 4 vs. 5 winner, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.

- 3) The district champion and the runner-up of each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.

#### D) Region.

- 1) The Regional meeting shall be held on Sunday afternoon immediately following the district tournaments not prior to 2:00 local time. In the school designated as the host for the meeting. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all district tournament games.

- 2) The pairings for the regional tournament shall be made in accordance to the following procedure.

- a) In a regional tournament with participants from four districts, the district winners will draw for positions 1, 3, 5 and 7 in a standard eight-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will draw for a position in the opposite bracket.
- b) In a regional tournament with participants from three districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The format will follow a standard eight-team bracket with two byes, those falling into positions 2 and 7. The district winners shall draw for positions 1 and 8 in the bracket. The district winner not drawing a bye shall draw for a position in slots 3 through 6. The district runner-up to the district champion drawing for position in slots 3 through 6 will draw into one of the two remaining slots in the bracket opposite the district winner, and the remaining two runner-up teams will be placed opposite their corresponding district winners in the remaining two slots in the bracket.
- c) In a regional tournament with participants from two districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The district winners will draw for positions 1 and 3 in a standard four-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will be placed in the position in the opposite bracket from the district winner.

- 3) The winner of each regional tournament shall advance to the sub-sectional tournament.

- E) Sub-Sectional. The sub-sectional shall be a single elimination game. In the sub-sectional, Region 1 plays Region 2 for sub-section 1; Region 3 plays Region 4 for sub-section 2, Region 5 plays Region 6 for sub-section 3, Region 7 plays Region 8 for sub-section 4, Region 9 plays Region 10 for sub-section 5, Region 11 plays 12 for sub-section 6, Region 13 plays Region 14 for sub-section 7 and Region 15 plays Region 16 for sub-section 8. The winner of each sub-sectional will advance to the sectional tournament.

- F) Sectional. The sectional tournament shall be single elimination. In the Sectional, Sub-Section 1 plays Sub-Section 2 for Section 1; Sub-Section 3 plays Sub-Section 4 for Section 2, Sub-Section 5 plays Sub-Section 6 for Section 3 and Sub-Section 7 plays Sub-Section 8 for Section 4. The winner of each sectional will advance to the state tournament.

- G) State. The state pairings shall alternate matches between sections in accordance with an adopted rotation. The Commissioner shall determine the order of games each year. The state semifinal pairings for 2007-2008 through 2009-2010 are:

	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010
Boys	1 vs. 2, 3 vs. 4	1 vs. 3, 2 vs. 4	2 vs. 3, 1 vs. 4
Girls	2 vs. 3, 1 vs. 4	1 vs. 2, 3 vs. 4	1 vs. 3, 2 vs. 4

#### VI) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play

- To be eligible to compete in the district, region or state tournament,



a member school team shall have competed in at least six soccer games during the regular season.

#### **VII) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

A school may enter a team composed of twenty-four (24) players in each post-season tournament game that shall be players who appeared on the eligibility list submitted online. The twenty four (24) players shall be designated each game, and no other players may be in uniform.

#### **VIII) Officials (Regular and Postseason)**

For regular season play, soccer officials are to be paid \$45.00 per game per official for a two person crew, \$40.00 per game per official for a three-person crew. Only KHSAA Level 2 or Level 3 officials shall be used in the regional, sub-section, section and state tournaments. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage.

Officials for all KHSAA sponsored state championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission and shall be licensed with the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to district, region, sub-sectional, sectional and state tournament games for the games which will all be worked with three officials. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

District tournament officials shall be paid \$50.00 per game for a three-person crew. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Region tournament officials shall be paid \$55.00 per game for a three-person crew. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Sectional and sub-sectional officials shall be paid \$60.00 per game for a three-person crew. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

One member of the crew of officials is to be paid a mileage allowance for one car based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee.

State tournament officials shall be paid \$65.00 per game for a three-person crew.

Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

#### **IX) Champion**

The champion in the district, regional, sub-section, section and state tournaments will be the team undefeated in a single elimination tournament.

#### **X) Trophies and Awards**

##### **A) District and Region**

- 1) Trophies will be given to each district and region winner and runner-up.
- 2) The cost of the district and region trophies shall be paid from the gate receipts.

##### **B) Section**

- 1) Trophies will be given to each section winner and runner-up.
- 2) The cost of the section trophies shall be borne by the KHSAA.

##### **C) State**

- 1) Each state champion, runner-up and semi-finalist team shall receive a trophy.
- 2) Each state champion, runner-up and semi-finalist team shall receive twenty-five (25) individual medals.
- 3) An All-Tournament team will be selected at each State

Tournament along with a Most Valuable Player.

- 4) The cost of all state tournament awards shall be borne by the KHSAA.

#### **XI) Finances**

##### **A) District and Region**

- 1) The proceeds of each of the district and regional tournaments shall be used to defray the expenses of the participating teams, officials, trophies and other necessary expenses. Net profit or loss shall be shared based on the revenue distribution plan approved by a vote of the schools in the classification in accordance with the KHSAA Constitution.
- 2) If no agreement can be reached on payment of expenses for district or regional tournaments, a mileage fee of \$1.00 per team per mile for each necessary trip may be allowed for travel expense and an allowance for one meal at \$5.00 per team member per trip to the tournament may be allowed.

##### **B) Sub-sections and Section**

- 1) The Association will finance the section and sub-section games.
- 2) Necessary team travel expenses, as approved by the Commissioner, will be paid to traveling teams and will utilize the state expense reimbursement schedule.
- 3) Following the receipt of this financial report from the section and sub-section games, the Association shall pay all bills from the games,
- 4) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from the section and sub-section games.

##### **C) State**

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Each participating team will receive an expense allowance for twenty-four (24) players and one coach.
- 3) If the Association makes motel assignments, teams failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit their lodging allowance.
- 4) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip), \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.

#### **XII) Withdrawal from Tournament**

No school which enters a district, regional, or state tournament (draws for place) shall withdraw from the tournament or forfeit any of its games, but shall play its entire tournament schedule. If a school withdraws from a district, regional, or state tournament at any time following the draw for district tournament positions or after the pairings have been determined in a seeded district, that school may be suspended from the Association for a period of twelve (12) months and shall be eliminated from postseason play for two years unless the Board of Control rules that sufficient grounds for withdrawal are submitted.

#### **XIII) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

##### **A) Specifications of Fields and Game Balls**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for fields to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

##### **B) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant. Detailed and binding instructions, both for managers and participating teams, shall be published on the KHSAA web site.

##### **C) Tied games (Regular Season)**

When a game is tied at the end of a regular season contest that is not part of an event where a progression to the next round is dependent upon that game's winner, the game shall end tied.

##### **D) Tied games in Progression Events (Regular Season)**

- 1) When the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team areas. There will be five minutes during which both teams may confer with their coaches and the head referee will instruct both teams as to proper procedure.

- 2) All coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the procedure as outlined below:
  - a) The head referee shall choose the goal at which all of the kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken.
  - b) Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the kicks.
  - c) A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2e. The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first or second.
  - d) Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
  - e) The defending team may change the goal keeper prior to each penalty kick.
  - f) Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
  - g) Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. The KHSAA strongly recommends that an asterisk (\*) be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tiebreaker system.
- 3) If the score remains tied after each team has had five kicks:
  - a) Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the kicks in a "sudden victory" situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken. If a team has fewer than ten available players at the end of the first set of kicks from the penalty mark due to either injuries or disqualification, the coach shall use all players who have not participated in the first five kicks. The coach may choose additional players from the first five kickers to ensure that five different players participate in the second set of kicks.
  - b) If the score remains tied, continue the "sudden victory" kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 4-A.
- 4) During all tiebreaker penalty kicks, the ball remains alive until its momentum is spent, it goes out of bounds or it is retouched by the kicker.
- E) Tied games (Post-Season, All Rounds)
  - 1) When the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team areas. There will be five minutes during which both teams may confer with their coaches and the head referee will instruct both teams as to proper procedure.
  - 2) There shall be two, full ten-minute overtime periods (note - not sudden victory),
  - 3) A coin toss shall be held-as in Rule 5-2-2e.
  - 4) At the end of the first ten-minute overtime period, teams shall change ends.
  - 5) There shall be a two-minute interval between periods.
  - 6) If at the conclusion of the two ten-minute overtime periods, a tie still exists, there shall be two five-minute sudden-victory overtime periods.
  - 7) A coin toss shall be held-as in Rule 5-2-2e.
  - 8) At the end of the first sudden-victory period, teams shall change ends.
  - 9) There shall be a two-minute interval between periods.
  - 10) If the score remains tied, all coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the procedure as outlined below:
    - a) The head referee shall choose the goal at which all of the kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken.
    - b) Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the kicks.
    - c) A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2e. The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first or second.
    - d) Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
    - e) The defending team may change the goal keeper prior to each penalty kick.
    - f) Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
    - g) Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. An asterisk (\*) may be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tiebreaker system.
- 11) If the score remains tied after each team has had five kicks:
  - a) Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the kicks in a "sudden victory" situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken. If a team has fewer than ten available players at the end of the first set of kicks from the penalty mark due to either injuries or disqualification, the coach shall use all players who have not participated in the first five kicks. The coach may choose additional players from the first five kickers to ensure that five different players participate in the second set of kicks.
  - b) If the score remains tied, continue the "sudden victory" kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 4-A.
- 12) During all tiebreaker penalty kicks, the ball remains alive until its momentum is spent, it goes out of bounds or it is retouched by the kicker.
- F) Mercy Rule Provisions
  - 1) If one team has a 10 goal lead at the end of the first half or at any point in the second half, the match will be terminated.
  - 2) This rule is to be observed in regular and post-season play

#### XIV) School Personnel to Accompany Team

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.  
(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)

### KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS Governing Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

## **I) Assignment of Schools to Districts, Regions, and Sections**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in softball for girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to March 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. The alignment shall begin with the 2005-2006 school year, and shall be reviewed upon the request of a member school with a request concerning that particular school on a biennial basis (every two years). The entire alignment shall be reviewed with changes to be in effect for the 2009-2010 school year and every four years thereafter. In the interim, newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for girls' fast pitch softball is as follows:

### **REGION 1**

District 1 - Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County

District 2 - Heath, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland

District 3 - Ballard Memorial, Graves County, Mayfield, St. Mary

District 4 - Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Marshall County, Murray

### **REGION 2**

District 5 - Crittenden County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Trigg County

District 6 - Henderson County, Providence, Union County, Webster County

District 7 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins

District 8 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

### **REGION 3**

District 9 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic

District 10 - McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County

District 11 - Breckinridge County, Frederick Fraize, Hancock County, Meade County

District 12 - Butler County, Edmonson County, Grayson County, Trinity (Whitesville)

### **REGION 4**

District 13 - Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central

District 14 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, Warren Central, Warren East

District 15 - Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Glasgow, Monroe County

District 16 - Clinton County, Cumberland County, Metcalfe County, Russell County

### **REGION 5**

District 17 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin

District 18 - Caverna, Green County, Hart County, Larue County

District 19 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Washington County

District 20 - Adair County, Campbellsville, Marion County, Taylor County

### **REGION 6**

District 21 - Beth Haven, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley, Western

District 22 - Doss, Evangel Christian, Iroquois

District 23 - Butler, Central, Portland Christian, Presentation, Shawnee

District 24 - Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Fairdale, North Bullitt, Southern

### **REGION 7**

District 25 - DuPont Manual, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Mercy

District 26 - Assumption, Atherton, Fern Creek, Moore, Whitefield Academy

District 27 - Ballard, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Waggener

District 28 - Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day

### **REGION 8**

District 29 - North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham, Trimble County

District 30 - Anderson County, Eminence, Shelby County, Spencer County

District 31 - Carroll County, Gallatin County, Henry County, Owen County

District 32 - Grant County, Simon Kenton, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

### **REGION 9**

District 33 - Boone County, Conner, Cooper, Ryle

District 34 - Heritage, Dixie Heights, Lloyd Memorial St. Henry, Villa Madonna

District 35 - Beechwood, Holmes, Holy Cross(Covington), Notre Dame

District 36 - Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport Central Catholic

### **REGION 10**

District 37 - Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Scott

District 38 - Harrison County, Nicholas County, Pendleton County

District 39 - Bracken County, Mason County, St. Patrick

District 40 - Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Paris

### **REGION 11**

District 41 - Frankfort, Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County

District 42 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County

District 43 - Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Dunbar, Bates Creek

District 44 - Berea, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

### **REGION 12**

District 45 - Boyle County, Danville, Garrard County, Lincoln County

District 46 - Burgin, East Jessamine, Mercer County, West Jessamine

District 47 - Casey County, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Somerset

District 48 - McCreary Central, Monticello, Southwestern, Wayne County

### **REGION 13**

District 49 - Clay County, Jackson County, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist, Red Bird

District 50 - Corbin, South Laurel, Whitley County, Williamsburg

District 51 - Barbourville, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Pineville

District 52 - Bell County, Cawood, Cumberland, Evarts, Harlan, Middlesboro

### **REGION 14**

District 53 - Cordia, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central

District 54 - Buckhorn, Hazard, Leslie County, Perry County Central

District 55 - Breathitt County, Jackson City, Riverside Christian, Wolfe County

District 56 - Estill County, Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County

### **REGION 15**

District 57 - Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark

District 58 - Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg, South Floyd

District 59 - East Ridge, Pikeville, Shelby Valley

District 60 - Belfry, Phelps, Pike County Central

### **REGION 16**

District 61 - Bath County, Fleming County, Menifee County, Rowan County

District 62 - East Carter, Elliott County, Morgan County, West Carter

District 63 - Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Russell

District 64 – Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Fairview, Rose Hill

## **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

District tournament sites shall be selected by a site selection plan approved by a unanimous vote of the schools eligible to compete in each district tournament. If a district is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Board of Control shall establish a plan.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held shall be allowed to vote for the district tournament location or participate in the tournament

Criteria to be considered by the schools for the district tournament include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance. In addition, all sites shall meet the published site selection criteria for softball as posted on the KHSAA web site, provided such criteria adopted.

The Commissioner shall determine the regional tournament sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year tournaments. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites.

A two-thirds vote is necessary to adopt any plan for recommending the regional tournament sites and voting shall include all schools within a region, not simply the schools playing in a particular year's event. Criteria to be considered by the schools include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance.

In addition, the schools shall agree on the amount of proceeds (if any) that is to be kept by the host school as well as limitations on expenses by the host school; determining the amount or percentages to be given to each school that participates; the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each team in the region not competing in the tournament; and the disbursement of any proceeds from commissions, parking, advertising and any other revenue related to the tournament but not directly related to ticket, program or novelty sales. Resolution as to disputes on any of these issues may be facilitated by the Commissioner's office and if agreement cannot be reached, may be considered by the Board of Control.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournament after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

All tournaments shall be held on or as near the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar as local conditions permit. Any exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner.

## **III) Tournament Managers**

The principal of the host school shall designate an official of the school to serve as the manager for each district tournament. The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each district, and regional tournament manager to invite representatives of the participating teams in the tournament to a meeting held for the purpose of making tournament plans. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The representatives of the schools participating in each tournament, by majority vote, shall set the dates and times of the

games and make all other arrangements necessary to conduct the tournament. The Commissioner will direct a drawing and all of the business necessary to conduct the state tournament.

## **IV) District Tournament Seeding Regulations**

A) For district tournaments with three teams, the district tournament shall be seeded in accordance with the following three-team seeding regulations:

- 1) Each team in a three-team district is required to play the other two teams in the district in two contests each year, at mutually agreed sites. These games will produce a uniform means of ranking the teams by seed within these districts.
- 2) The team with the highest seed (one seed) receives a bye in the district tournament, and advances to the championship game.
- 3) The remaining two teams would play in the first round of the district tournament with the loser of that game being eliminated.
- 4) In the case of a two-way tie for the district winning position, the winner in the second game played between the tied district opponents would have the higher finishing position.
- 5) In the case of a three-way tie for the district winning position, the tie would be resolved in the following manner. If any of the tie-breakers results in one of the teams being ahead of the other two, the tie is broken. If any of the tie-breakers result in two teams remaining ahead of the third, then the two-way tie breaker shall be used to determine the winner between those two.
  - a) The tie-breaking mechanisms (in order) shall be:
    - i) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the second game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - ii) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the first game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
    - iii) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in all seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - iv) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in the second of each of the seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
    - v) If the tie is still unbreakable, then a blind draw among the three teams shall break the tie.
  - b) Additional tie-breaking mechanisms may be added, and would be uniform for all three-team districts.

B) For district tournaments with four or more teams, the district tournament brackets may be drawn by random lot or placed into the bracket using a seeding system. A majority vote (recorded in writing) of the Principals, Athletic Directors or Designated Representatives of the schools in the district is required in order to make or change seeding decisions. In the absence of any documentation, minutes or other verification, the districts shall not be seeded. The regulations concerning the seeding of a district with four or more teams are as follows:

- 1) The decision to seed and the method used in seeding (including all tie-breakers) shall be determined by majority vote of the participating teams in the district and the manager shall record this vote in writing and submit it to the Association. The representatives making the written declaration shall decide all issues related to seeding,
- 2) Seeding methods shall be determined prior to the start of the regular season, recorded in writing with a copy provided to the KHSAA, and shall remain in place until a majority vote of the participating schools rescinds or changes the seeding decisions. Such changes to the district seeding plan may not be made for the current year once play has begun in the regular season.
- 3) In the event of dispute, the current copy on file with the KHSAA shall prevail in determining resolution.
- 4) Seeding plans may, at the discretion of the majority vote of the schools, stipulate a particular team to a particular seeded position.
- 5) It shall be the district tournament manager's responsibility to update the Association with respect to any changes to the seeding decision or method being used and any relevant tiebreakers. In the absence of this documentation, consultation with, and written verification and documentation from, prior



year tournament managers, will be utilized by staff to assist with interpretation and clarification.

- 6) There is no statewide regulation on a seeding method once the determination has been made to seed. Some of the more common and recommended means of seeding is the record of games played within a district provided all teams have played all other teams. In that case, each district shall adopt tie-breaking procedures in the event that the primary method of seeding results in a tie or other situations arise which cause an alteration in the scheduled seeding method. Among the more common tie-breaking methods are 1) seeding by overall win-loss record; seeding by win-loss record in specific contests, 3) seeding by a rating/ranking from a statewide poll, 3) seeding by a majority vote, 4) seeding by a committee, and 5) seeding by a rating turned in by each school.
- 7) If win-loss records are used for seeding, the records used shall be the records as of the date of the pre-tournament meeting as published on the KHSAA memorandum calendar. Teams and school representatives may meet during the regular season to discuss tournament operations (i.e. dates, times, sites, tournament personnel needs, etc.). However if an organizational meeting is held prior to the published date on the calendar, no discussions may be held regarding the bracketing or pairings of specific teams unless all mandated seeded games have been played prior to the meeting. Games played after the published meeting date SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.
- 8) Seeded games unable to be played for any reason (with the exception of verified forfeited contests) prior to the published date for the district tournament meetings will be recorded as a win and a loss for both teams in computing seeded position.
- 9) If a change in the alignment of teams moves a single new team into a previously seeded district, the previous decision as to seeding shall prevail. If the new team enters the alignment following the completion of all game contracts and the new team is unable to schedule all required opponents, the new team shall be seeded in the last position for the current season, and shall be included in seeded game scheduling for the subsequent seasons.
- 10) If a change in the alignment of teams moves more than one team into a seeded district, the district teams shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote will result in the seeding decision remaining the same.
- 11) If the Board of Control approves a total realignment of teams within a district, the teams in the district shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote in this situation shall result in the district being not seeded.

#### **V) Tournament Meetings and Pairings**

- A) District (non-seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams. The principal or his/her representative shall conduct the drawing for each school. The pairings for the district tournament shall be made in accordance with the following procedure, with all byes being arranged to be in the first round:
  - 1) The number of places to be considered shall be four, eight, sixteen, thirty-two, etc. Of the above numbers, the one that is next greater than the number of teams in the drawing shall be considered in the drawing. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket.
  - 2) If the number of teams in the drawing is less than the number of places to be considered, the even number 2 shall be designated as the first bye; the largest even number as the second bye; number 4 as the third bye; the next largest even number as the fourth bye; and so on until the number of places not so designated equals the number of teams in the drawing. The places shall be determined by drawing by lot, the numbers assigned to the "byes" having been first taken from the numbers to be drawn.
  - 3) The teams which pair with "byes" shall have a rest period during the first round of the playing of games in the tournament.
  - 4) The winner of the No. 1 and No. 2 games shall play the winner of the No. 3 and No. 4 game. The winner of the No. 5 game and No. 6 game shall play the winner of No. 7 and No. 8 game. The

two winners shall play for the championship. The same general procedure shall be used in the case of more than eight places or teams.

- 5) The district champion and the runner-up of each tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.
- B) District (seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all seeded district games.
  - 1) After seeding positions have been determined, the seeded bracket pairings shall be observed. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket. The brackets (from top down) are as follows:
    - a) 3 Teams – Seed 2 plays 3, Seed 1 plays winner of Seed 2 vs. Seed 3 for championship.
    - b) 4 Teams - Seed 1 plays 4, 2 plays 3, winners meet for championship.
    - c) 5 Teams - Seed 5 plays 4, 1 plays winner of 5 vs. 4, 2 plays 3, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - d) 6 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 plays winner of 3 vs. 6, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - e) 7 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
    - f) 8 Teams - Seed 1 plays 8, 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 vs. 8 winner plays 4 vs. 5 winner, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
  - 2) The district champion and the runner-up of each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.
- C) Region.
  - 1) The Regional meeting shall be held on Sunday afternoon immediately following the district tournaments not prior to 2:00 p.m. in the school designated as the host. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all district tournament games.
  - 2) The pairings for the regional tournament shall be made in accordance to the following procedure.
    - a) In a regional tournament with participants from four districts, the district winners will draw for positions 1, 3, 5 and 7 in a standard eight-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will draw for a position in the opposite bracket.
    - b) In a regional tournament with participants from three districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The format will follow a standard eight-team bracket with two byes, those falling into positions 2 and 7. The district winners shall draw for positions 1 and 8 in the bracket. The district winner not drawing a bye shall draw for a position in slots 3 through 6. The district runner-up to the district champion drawing for position in slots 3 through 6 will draw into one of the two remaining slots in the bracket opposite the district winner, and the remaining two runner-up teams will be placed opposite their corresponding district winners in the remaining two slots in the bracket.
    - c) In a regional tournament with participants from two districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The district winners will draw for positions 1 and 3 in a standard four-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will be placed in the position in the opposite bracket from the district winner.
  - 3) The winner of each regional tournament shall advance to the state tournament.
- D) State. The Commissioner shall conduct a blind draw to determine the pairings for the state tournament. The winner of the each regional tournament shall advance to the state tournament.

#### **VI) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

To be eligible to compete in the district, region or state tournament, a member school team shall have competed in at least ten fast-pitch games during the regular season.

#### **VII) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster

via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

A school may enter a team composed of twenty-one (21) players in each post-season tournament game that shall be players who appeared on the eligibility list submitted online. The twenty one (21) players shall be designated each game, and no other players may be in uniform.

#### **VIII) Umpires (Regular and Postseason)**

For regular season play, fast-pitch softball umpires are to be paid \$41.00 per game per official for a two person crew, \$36.00 each additional contest. If additional officials are assigned, the fee may be reduced by \$5. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage. The total amount paid to baseball umpires in a given local regional policy board area shall be no greater than \$5.00 more than the amount paid to fast-pitch softball umpires.

Umpires for all KHSAA sponsored championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission. Only KHSAA Level 2 or Level 3 officials shall be used in the regional or state tournaments. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commissioner.

Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to district, region and state tournament games. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

The Board of Control has established fees for postseason play. In all tournament levels, one member of the crew of officials is to be paid a mileage allowance based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee. Additional postseason allowances shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

District tournament officials shall be paid a fee of \$46.00 per game if working in a two-person system, and a fee of \$41.00 per game if working in a three-person system. It is strongly recommended that three officials be used in each district tournament game. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Regional tournament officials shall be paid a fee of \$51.00 per game if working a two-person system, and a fee of \$46.00 per game if working a three-person system. It is strongly recommended that three officials be used in each regional tournament game. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

State tournament officials shall be paid \$56.00 per game if working a two-person system and \$51.00 per game if working a three-person system.

#### **IX) Champion**

The champion of each district and regional tournament will be the team undefeated in a single elimination tournament. The champion of the state tournament will be the winning team in a double elimination tournament.

#### **X) Trophies and Awards**

##### **A) District and Region**

- 1) Trophies will be given to each district and regional tournament winner and runner-up.
- 2) The trophies at the district and region shall be paid from the gate receipts of that tournament.

##### **B) State**

- 1) The state tournament champion, runner-up, third and fourth place teams shall receive a trophy.
- 2) The state tournament champion, runner-up, third and fourth place teams shall receive twenty-four (24) individual medals.
- 3) An All-Tournament team will be selected at the state tournament along with a Most Valuable Player.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies at the semi-state and state tournaments.

#### **XI) Finances**

##### **A) District and Region**

The participating schools may adopt by majority vote, any plan that they desire for the distribution of receipts. If no plan can be agreed upon, the following shall prevail:

- 1) A mileage fee of \$1.00 per team per mile for each necessary trip may be allowed for travel expense. An allowance for one meal at \$5.00 per team member per trip to the tournament may be allowed.
- 2) The host school shall be allowed fifteen (15) percent of the gross ticket receipts derived from the district or regional tournament for rental of the gymnasium and other services rendered to include setup and clean-up charges and for paying documented incidental bills related to the tournament that are approved by the participating teams.
- 3) Prior to any additional distribution, the gross receipts, less the host designated share outlined in subsection (2), shall be reduced by team travel expenses and the amounts paid for game officials and trophies.
- 4) The remainder of the profit shall be divided among the schools participating in the tournament and the non-participating schools in accordance with previously approved plans.
- 5) The host school shall be allowed the profits made on programs, concessions, parking, etc.

##### **B) State**

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament. The following allowances will apply if the receipts from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the Board of Control will determine the allowance.
- 2) Expenses will be paid for meals, lodging and travel for each team through breakfast on the day following elimination from the tournament for each team.
- 3) The state tournament squad for purposes of reimbursement shall be limited to twenty-four (24) persons, including the principal, coaches, team members and other personnel.
- 4) Schools failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit the lodging allowance. Commuting teams shall be paid an allowance in accordance with pre-tournament instructions.
- 5) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip), \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.
- 6) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each state tournament.

#### **XII) Withdrawal from Tournament**

No school which enters a district, regional, or state tournament (draws for place) shall withdraw from the tournament or forfeit any of its games, but shall play its entire tournament schedule. If a school withdraws from a district, regional, or state tournament at any time following the draw for district tournament positions or after the pairings have been determined in a seeded district, that school may be suspended from the Association for a period of twelve (12) months and shall be eliminated from postseason play for two years unless the Board of Control rules that sufficient grounds for withdrawal are submitted.

#### **XIII) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

- A) All ties shall be played to completion.
- B) The twelve (12) inch softball shall be utilized in all regular season and postseason contests.
- C) The National Federation softball rules shall be the official rules used in all contests.
- D) There shall be no time limit on regular or postseason varsity softball contests.
- E) Speed-Up Rules  
All softball contests shall utilize the optional speed-up rules allowed by the National Federation such as courtesy runners for the pitcher and catcher upon reaching base and any other speed-up rules mandated by the National Federation including a "run rule" where run differential determines the end of the contest.
- F) Specifications of Fields and Game Balls  
The specifications for recommended and required standards for fields to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the

Board of Control. The Association may enter into a contract to restrict the use of a ball in tournament play to a specific brand or model.

**G) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.

**H) Complete Game**

- 1) In regular season, and postseason, a complete game of 6 1/2 or 7 innings shall be played unless other National Federation rules or rules adopted by state association and permitted by National Federation playing rules (as detail in item 4 below) apply to the situation.
- 2) All seeded district games in a seeded district shall be played to completion.
- 3) Except for seeded district games, one or both games of a double header may be shortened to five innings by mutual agreement of the two coaches prior to the game.
- 4) For all games, regular season and post season, a fifteen (15) run differential between teams after three or more complete innings (including after the top half if the home team is ahead) shall constitute a complete game.
- 5) For all games, regular season and post season, a fifteen (10) run differential between teams after five or more complete innings (including after the top half if the home team is ahead) shall constitute a complete game.

**I) Interrupted Games**

If a game is interrupted in tournament play or in regular season play, and is subsequently to be completed, it will be reset at the same point, same inning, same out or outs, same balls and strikes, same batter or number of batter in the batting order.

**J) International Tie-Breaker**

The international tie-breaker (ITB) system shall be used in all regular season games if the game is still tied after nine complete innings. By mutual agreement of the two competing coaches, the ITB may be used in the 8th and 9th innings if the score is tied after seven complete innings.

The provisions of the ITB are:

- 1) If a game is tied after nine complete innings of play (or innings 8 and 9 by mutual agreement), the game shall continue in the 10th inning using the International Tie-Breaker (ITB) system.
- 2) At the start of each half-inning beginning in the top of the 10th (or 8th and 9th by mutual agreement), the offensive team will begin its turn at bat with the player scheduled to bat ninth in that half inning being placed on second base. If the Pitcher or Catcher is that ninth batter, then a courtesy runner may be used. A substitute may also be legally inserted for the runner.

**XIV) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)

## **KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS**

## Governing Swimming Meets

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

### I) Assignment of Schools to Regions

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in swimming and diving for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to November 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment is as follows —

REGION 1 - Allen County-Scottsville, Apollo, Barren County, Bowling Green, Butler County, Caldwell County, Calloway County, Community Christian Academy, Christian County, Christian Fellowship, Crittenden County, Daviess County, Franklin Simpson, Fort Campbell, Glasgow, Graves County, Green County, Greenwood, Heath, Henderson County, Hickman County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Livingston Central, Logan County, Lone Oak, Madisonville-North Hopkins, Marshall County, Mayfield, Muhlenberg South, Muhlenberg North, Murray, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, Russellville, St. Mary, Trigg County, University Heights, Warren Central

REGION 2 - Assumption, Atherton, Ballard, Brown, Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Butler, Central, Christian Academy-Louisville, Doss, Dupont Manual, Eastern, Evangel Christian, Fern Creek, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day, Kentucky School f/t Blind, Louisville Collegiate, Male, Mercy, North Oldham, Oldham County, Pleasure Ridge Park, Presentation, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Shawnee, South Oldham, St. Francis, St. Xavier, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener, Whitefield Academy

REGION 3 - Adair County, Anderson County, Bethlehem Boyle County, Campbellsville, Casey County, Central Hardin, Danville, East Jessamine, Elizabethtown, Eminence, Frankfort, Fort Knox, Franklin County, Garrard County, John Hardin, Henry County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Larue County, Marion County, Meade County, Mercer County, Nelson County, North Hardin, North Hardin Christian, Russell County, Scott County, Shelby County, Spencer County, Taylor County, West Jessamine, Western Hills, Woodford County

REGION 4 - Ashland Blazer, Beechwood, Boone County, Boyd County, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Conner, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Deming, Dixie Heights, Elliott County, Fleming County, Highlands, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Mason County, Notre Dame Academy, Rose Hill, Rowan County, Russell, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton, St. Henry, St. Patrick, Villa Madonna

REGION 5— Allen Central, Barbourville, Berea, Bourbon County, Bryan Station, East Ridge, George Rogers Clark, Harrison County, Henry Clay, Johnson Central, Knott County Central, Knox Central, Lafayette, Letcher, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model, Montgomery County, Monticello, Oneida Baptist Institute, Paris, Paul Dunbar, Piast, Sayre, Pulaski County, Somerset, Southwestern, Tates Creek, Williamsburg

### II) Dates and Sites for Meets

The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall determine the date and site of the regional and state meets. All meets will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit their request in writing prior to October 1 of the tournament year. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Application forms for hosting tournaments in all sports are provided to each member school by the Association.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after

receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Meet Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional meets, and shall serve as the manager for the state meet. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of regional managers to notify all schools participating in the meet as to the time and place of the meet, to supply them with entry blanks, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the meet. It is also the duty of the manager to arrange the contestants into heats for the preliminary events. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

### IV) Contestants

A school may enter any eligible student-athlete in the postseason region meet. All entries in KHSAA postseason play shall be done electronically using the Association designated software application.

The deadline for entry is not later than one week prior to the start of the regional meet.

A school may enter as many as four contestants in each event at the regional meet except for the relay events. A school may enter only one relay team in each relay event at the regional meet. National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules shall apply at all regional meets and at the state meet.

To be eligible to participate in the regional and state meets, a contestant shall have competed in at least two meets on a team representing a member school.

Any otherwise eligible contestant whose name is on the entry blank may be substituted for the original entry prior to the time that heats are set up for the regional meet. The regional manager shall establish this deadline. In the State Meet, relay teams need not be composed of the same contestants as those in the regional meet. In relay events, eight (8) individuals may be listed as entries, any four (4) of which shall be assigned to swim. Participating in the preliminary or final round of an event shall count as an event toward this limitation.

State qualifiers include the top two finishers in each event from each regional meet, as well as the next fourteen (14) at-large times from each event, or highest scores in the case of diving.

### V) Events

All meets will have the following events: 200 Yard Medley Relay, 200 Yard Freestyle, 50 Yard Freestyle, 200 Yard Individual Medley, 1 Meter Diving, 100 Yard Butterfly, 100 Yard Freestyle, 100 Yard Backstroke, 500 Yard Freestyle, 100 Yard Breaststroke, 400 Yard Freestyle Relay and 200 Freestyle Relay.

### VI) Champion

Contestants finishing in the first sixteen places shall be awarded points in accordance with National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules. The champion will be the team with the greatest number of points.

### VII) Trophies and Awards

#### A) Region.

- 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up.
- 2) Awards will be given to top six (6) finishing in each event at the regional meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the regional meet.

#### B) State.

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state tournament.
- 2) Awards will be given to the top eight (8) individuals finishing in each event at the state meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

### VIII) Finances

#### A) Region



- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

**B) State**

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state meet.

**IX) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules**

**A) Specifications for Swim Venues**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for swim venues to be used in post-season competition may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.

**B) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in meets in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.

**IX) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

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**KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Governing Tennis Tournaments**

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### **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in tennis for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to March 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment in tennis is as follows -

REGION 1: Ballard Memorial, Calloway County, Community Christian (Paducah), Fulton City, Graves County, Heath, Lone Oak, Marshall County, Mayfield, Murray, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland, St. Mary

REGION 2: Caldwell County, Christian County, Fort Campbell, Henderson County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Lyon County, Madisonville-North Hopkins, Providence, Trigg County, Union County, University Heights, Webster County

REGION 3: Apollo, Butler County, Daviess County, Frederick Fraize, Grayson County, Hancock County, McLean County, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic

REGION 4: Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Bowling Green, Caverna, Clinton County, Cumberland County, Franklin-Simpson, Glasgow, Greenwood, Hart County, Logan County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County, Russellville, Warren Central, Warren East

REGION 5: Adair County, Bardstown, Bethlehem, Campbellsville, Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, Green County, John Hardin, Larue County, Marion County, Meade County, Nelson County, North Hardin, Taylor County, Washington County

REGION 6: Brown, Butler, Central, DeSales (B), Doss, DuPont Manual, Evangel Christian, Fairdale, Holy Cross (Louisville), Iroquois, Male, Pleasure Ridge Park, Portland Christian, Presentation (G), Shawnee, Southern, St. Francis, St. Xavier (B), Valley, Western

REGION 7: Assumption (G), Atherton, Ballard, Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Fern Creek, Jeffersontown, Kentucky Country Day, Louisville Collegiate, Mercy (G), Moore, Sacred Heart (G), Seneca, Trinity (Louisville) (B), Waggener, Walden, Whitefield Academy

REGION 8: Anderson County, Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Carroll County, Gallatin County, Frankfort, Franklin County, North Bullitt, North Oldham, Oldham County, Shelby County, South Oldham, Spencer County, Trimble County, Western Hills, Williamstown

REGION 9: Beechwood, Boone County, Calvary Christian, Conner, Covington Catholic (B), Covington Latin, Dixie Heights, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Notre Dame (G), Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton, St. Henry District, Villa Madonna

REGION 10: Augusta, Bellevue, Bourbon County, Bracken County, Campbell County, Dayton, Deming, George Rogers Clark, Harrison County, Highlands, Mason County, Montgomery County, Newport, Newport Central Catholic, Nicholas County, Paris, Pendleton County, St. Patrick

REGION 11: Bryan Station, East Jessamine, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Madison Central, Model, Paul Dunbar, Sayre, Scott County, Tate Creek, West Jessamine, Woodford County

REGION 12: Berea, Boyle County, Casey County, Danville, Garrard County, Lincoln County, Madison Southern, McCreary Central, Mercer County, Pulaski County, Russell County, Somerset, Southwestern

REGION 13: Barbourville, Bell County, Clay County, Corbin, Cumberland, Harlan, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Middlesboro, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist Institute, Pineville, South Laurel, Whitley County

REGION 14: Breathitt County, Estill County, Hazard, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Lee County, Letcher County Central, Perry County Central

REGION 15: Allen Central, Betsy Layne, East Ridge, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Morgan County, Paintsville, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark

REGION 16: Ashland Blazer, Bath County, Boyd County, East Carter, Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Rose Hill Christian, Rowan County, Russell, West Carter

### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall determine the dates and sites of the regional and state tournaments. All tournaments will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request in writing prior to October 1 of the tournament year. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Application forms for hosting tournaments in all sports are provided to each member school by the Association via the KHSAA web site.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournament after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### **III) Tournament Managers**

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional tournaments and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each tournament manager to notify the regional schools of the time and place of the tournament, to supply the proper entry blanks, to invite the participation of all of the schools, and to make all arrangements for the tournament. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

### **IV) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

A contestant shall have competed in at least four (4) high school matches on a team representing a member school to be eligible to participate in the regional tournament. All matches played in a tournament during the season count as one match of the four (4) required to qualify for regional play.

All entrants from a school accumulate team points toward the team championship in accordance with the provisions under part VII, Champion.

### **V) Contestants**

At the discretion of the Association, an entry form may substitute for KHSAA Form 15 which is to be submitted not less than one week prior to the start of the tournament. This list shall include all names of anyone who is to be eligible to participate in the postseason as additions to the list are not allowed, with the exception of a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14. Each manager is responsible for the forwarding of the list to future rounds of tournament play.

A school may enter a maximum of two singles players and two doubles teams in the regional tournament. No contestant shall compete in both the singles and doubles competition.

Any player whose name is on the eligibility list may be substituted on a team prior to the time of the draw for the regional tournament. After the draw is final, the regional tournament manager may allow substitution in singles or doubles if the original entry is prevented from participating due to circumstances beyond his/her control.

The team champion from the regional tournament shall advance both singles entrants, and both doubles teams to the state tournament. The top two singles finishers who were not on the winning team shall advance to the state tournament. The top two doubles teams who were not on the winning team shall advance to the state tournament.

If a school winning the regional team championship does not have a full complement of singles and doubles players, the next highest finishing singles players (or doubles teams) who have not already

qualified shall advance to allow the region to enter a total of four singles players and four doubles teams in the state tournament.

Any ties for state tournament qualifying positions in singles or doubles shall be broken using a match (2 of 3 sets) format. The Commissioner's office will issue full instructions to all teams on any additional qualifying procedures.

At the state tournament, prior to the first match, the tournament manager may allow substitution on a doubles team if the original entry is prevented from participating due to circumstances beyond his/her control or for illness or injury. No advantage may be gained or the substitution is not to be allowed. There cannot be a substitute for a singles player.

Players shall participate in all rounds of tournament play to be eligible for the state tournament.

#### **VI) Rules and Style of Play**

United States Tennis Association (U.S.T.A.) Rules shall apply except where modifications are outlined. All match play in both singles and doubles shall be best two out of three sets. The tie-breaker (12 point) as explained in the regional instructions shall be used for both regional and state tournament play.

For both the regional and state tournaments, the manager may seed the contestants and draw for the remaining places in the tournament. Singles players and doubles teams from the same school shall be placed in opposite brackets. The draw shall be open to the public.

#### **VII) Champion**

##### **A) Bracketing and Scoring for the Team Championship**

- 1) In the Region and State Tournaments, each singles player and doubles team will receive one team point for each match that is won throughout the tournament. If a singles player or doubles team gets a bye in the first round, the singles player or doubles team shall get two team points for the next round if that singles player or doubles team wins their second round match. If a singles player or doubles team gets a bye in the first round, but loses the second round match, they receive no team points. A default in a bracketed match shall be counted as a win and the game score shall be 6-0, 6-0.
- 2) When the number of entries in the draw in singles and doubles are not equal (i.e. one has 32 entries and one has 64 entries), the scoring is the same as the above plan for the 64-entry draw. For the 32-entry draw, players/doubles teams get two points for a first round win, and one point for each winning match thereafter.
- 3) No points are awarded for a bye until a match is won in competition. There shall be no build-ups (feed-ins).
- 4) The team champion shall be the team with the highest total number of team points.

##### **B) Ties in Team Competition**

- 1) In team scoring at the regional tournament, if there is a tie for the champion or runner-up position, it shall be broken.
- 2) In the case of a tie in team points to determine regional tournament champion, the playoff shall be scheduled immediately following Regional Tournament play. It is the coach's responsibility to have his/her team on-site ready to play.
- 3) A brief rest period may be designated by the Tournament Manager if necessary. In the event of inclement weather or darkness, the regional manager may schedule the playoff for the following day.
- 4) Any regional tournament ties for state tournament individual qualifying positions shall be broken.
- 5) In the case of a tie in team points to determine the regional champion, the team(s) tied for first who does not win the tie-breaking procedures will be runner-up; the team(s) that accumulated second-most points during the regional tournament, when there is a tie for first but is not in the tie-breaker, will finish third and is not the runner-up.
- 6) In team scoring at the state tournament, if there is a tie for the champion position, it shall be broken.
- 7) In team scoring at the state tournament, if there is a tie for the runner-up position, it shall not be broken.

##### **C) Regional Tournament Winning Team Two-Way Tie-Breaker**

- 1) In the case of a two-way tie in points for the team championship in the Regional Tournament, the number 1 and 2 singles players,

and number 1 and 2 doubles teams from each school shall play each other (1 match each, 2 out of 3 sets) to decide the team winner.

##### **2) The tie-breaker matches will be played as follows:**

- a) The #1 singles player from each school will play one (1) match against each other (2 out of 3 games);
- b) The #1 doubles team from each school will play one (1) match against each other (2 out of 3 games);
- c) The #2 singles player from each school will play one (1) match against each other (2 out of 3 games);
- d) The #2 doubles team from each school will play one (1) match against each other (2 out of 3 games).

##### **3) Each school will have declared their #1 and #2 players in singles and their #1 and #2 doubles teams on the regional entry Form (TN103). These declarations shall be consistent with season play.**

- 4) If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 6-0, 6-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
- 5) If one of the schools wins either three (3) or four (4) of the matches, then that school shall be declared the winner.
- 6) If neither of the teams has won three (3) or four (4) of the matches, the team winning the most games during the playoff round shall be declared the winner.
- 7) If the application of the tie-breaker leaves the two teams still tied, the process shall be repeated until a winner is declared.

##### **D) Regional Tournament Winning Team Three-Way Tie-Breaker**

- 1) In the case of a three-way tie in points for the team championship in the regional tournament, the tied teams shall be ranked by the number of games won during the regional tournament to determine the order of the tie-breaking matches.
- 2) If this ranking results in a tie, it shall be broken by ranking the tied teams in order by the fewest number of games lost.
- 3) If this ranking results in a tie, it shall be broken by a blind draw.
- 4) Following this ranking, the two tied teams ranked lowest shall play each other in the first round of the tie-breaker, with the number 1 and 2 singles players, and number 1 and 2 doubles teams playing each other in a 12-point tie-breaker game.
- 5) Order of play for first tie-breaking round
  - a) Each school will have declared their #1 and #2 players in singles and their #1 and #2 doubles teams on the Regional Tournament Entry Form (TN103). These declarations shall be consistent with season play.
  - b) If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 7-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
  - c) The 12-point tie-breaker games will be played as follows:
    - i) The #1 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - ii) The #1 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - iii) The #2 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - iv) The #2 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other.
  - d) If one of the schools wins either three (3) or four (4) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then that school will advance to play 12-point tie-breaker games against the third team in the tie.
  - e) If both schools win two (2) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then the school with the most points during the tie-breaker playoff round will advance to play 12-point tie-breaker games against the third team.
  - f) If both teams win the same number of points during the tie-breaker games, then those same schools will replay the 12-point tie-breaker games using the same format
  - g) This process will continue until one team advances to play a 12-point tie-breaker against the third team in the tie breaker.
- 6) Order of play for second tie-breaking round
  - a) Each school will have declared their #1 and #2 players in singles and their #1 and #2 doubles teams on the Regional Tournament Entry Form (TN #103). These declarations shall be consistent with season play.
  - b) If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches

- in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 7-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
- c) The 12-point tie-breaker games will go as follows:
- The #1 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
  - The #1 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
  - The #2 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
  - The #2 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
- d) If one of the schools in this second round of the tie-breaker wins either three (3) or four (4) of the 12-point tie-breaker games listed above, then that school will be the regional champion.
- e) If both schools in the second round tie-breaker win two (2) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then the school with the most points during the tie-breaker playoff round will be the regional champion.
- f) If both schools win the same number of points during the tie-breaker games, then the tie-breaker process shall be repeated until a winner of this round is declared.
- g) The team losing the second round tie-breaker shall be declared the regional runner-up.
- E) Regional Tournament Runner-up Two-Way Tie-Breaker  
In the case of a tie for second place for the team championship in the Regional Tournament, the tie will be broken by the following:
- The team having the highest percentage of games won during the Regional Tournament will be the Regional Tournament Runner-Up. (i.e. Team A plays 200 games and wins 100 games = 50%, Team B plays 198 games and wins 156 games = 78.7%, Team C plays 190 games and wins 150 games = 78.9%). In this example, team C is the runner-up.
  - When counting percentages, if one of the tied teams does not have a full complement of players (i.e. only one doubles team or only one singles player), then each vacant spot for that tied team will be counted as one 0-6, 0-6 loss.
  - If two or more teams have the same percentage of games won, therefore still being tied, all of those teams still tied will be declared regional runner-up.
- F) State Tournament Winning Team Two-Way Tie-Breaker
- In the case of a two-way tie in points for the team championship in the state tournament, the number 1 and 2 singles players, and number 1 and 2 doubles teams from each school shall play each other (1 match each, 2 out of 3 games) to decide the team winner.
  - The declaration of number 1 and 2 singles players and doubles teams shall be made on the State Tournament Entry Form (TN104) and followed in the case of a playoff.
  - If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 6-0, 6-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
  - If one of the schools wins either three (3) or four (4) of the matches, then that school shall be declared the winner.
  - If neither of the teams has won three (3) or four (4) of the matches, the team winning the most games during the playoff round shall be declared the winner.
  - If the application of the tie-breaker leaves the two teams still tied, the tie shall not be further broken, and co-champions shall be declared.
- G) State Tournament Winning Team Three-Way Tie-Breaker
- In the case of a three-way tie in points for the team championship in the state tournament, the tied teams shall be ranked by the number of games won during the state tournament to determine the order of the tie-breaking matches.
  - If this ranking results in a tie, it shall be broken by ranking the tied teams in order by the fewest number of games lost.
  - If this ranking results in a tie, it shall be broken by a blind draw.
  - Following this ranking, the two tied teams ranked lowest shall play each other in the first round of the tie-breaker, with the number 1 and 2 singles players, and number 1 and 2 doubles teams playing each other in a 12-point tie-breaker game.
  - Order of play for first tie-breaking round
- Each school will have declared their #1 and #2 players in singles and their #1 and #2 doubles teams on the State Tournament Entry Form (TN104).
  - If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 7-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
  - The 12-point tie-breaker games will be played as follows:
    - The #1 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #1 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #2 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #2 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other.
  - If one of the schools wins either three (3) or four (4) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then that school will advance to play 12-point tie-breaker games against the third team in the tie.
  - If both schools win two (2) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then the school with the most points during the tie-breaker playoff round will advance to play 12-point tie-breaker games against the third team.
  - If both schools win the same number of points during the tie-breaker games, then those same schools will replay the 12-point tie-breaker games using the same format
  - This process will continue until one team advances to play a 12-point tie-breaker against the third team in the tie breaker.
- 6) Order of play for second tie-breaking round
- Each school will have declared their #1 and #2 players in singles and their #1 and #2 doubles teams on the State Tournament Entry Form (TN104).
  - If a school does not have entries in one or more of matches in the brackets of the tie-breaking round, that match shall be scored as a 7-0 victory for the team that has an entry.
  - The 12-point tie-breaker games will go as follows:
    - The #1 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #1 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #2 singles player from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
    - The #2 doubles team from each school will play one (1) 12-point tie-breaker game against each other;
  - If one of the schools in this second round of the tie-breaker wins either three (3) or four (4) of the 12-point tie-breaker games listed above, then that school will be the state champion.
  - If both schools in the second round tie-breaker win two (2) of the 12-point tie-breaker games, then the school with the most points during the tie-breaker playoff round will be the state champion.
  - If both schools win the same number of points during the tie-breaker games, the tie shall not be broken.
  - The team losing the second round tie-breaker shall be declared the state runner-up.
  - Additional revisions to the tie-breaking procedures will be distributed to the membership upon passage by the Board of Control.
- H) Individual Match Tie-Breaking Procedures – Region and State Tournament
- All match play shall be two-out-of-three sets.
  - In case of a 6-6 tie in one of the sets, the following 12-point tie-breaker rules will be in effect for both boys and girls.
- 3) Singles
- Player "A" serves first point (right court)
  - Player "B" serves points 2 and 3 (left then right)
  - Player "A" serves points 4 and 5 (left then right)
  - Player "B" serves point 6 (left)
  - Players change ends
  - Player "B" serves point 7 (right)
  - Player "A" serves points 8 and 9 (left then right)
  - Player "B" serves points 10 and 11 (left then right)
  - Player "A" serves point 12 (left)
  - If points reach 6-6, players change ends and continue as



before:

- k) Player "A" serves point 13 (right)
  - l) Player "B" serves points 14 and 15 (left then right)
  - m) Players will continue to alternate two serves apiece until one player establishes a margin of two (2) points
  - n) Change of ends during a tie-breaker is to be made without any delay other than the 30 seconds allowed between points. Players change ends for one game to start the next set, with Player "B" to serve the first game of the new set.
- 4) Doubles:
- a) The same pattern is followed as with singles, with partners preserving the sequence of their serving turns.
  - b) (Assuming "A & B" versus "C & D")
  - c) Player "A" serves first point (right court)
  - d) Player "C" serves points 2 and 3 (left then right)
  - e) Player "B" serves points 4 and 5 (right then left)
  - f) Player "D" serves point 6 (left)
  - g) Teams change ends
  - h) Player "D" serves point 7 (right)
  - i) Player "A" serves points 8 and 9 (left then right)
  - j) Player "C" serves points 10 and 11 (left then right)
  - k) Player "B" serves point 12 (left)
  - l) If points reach 6-6, teams change ends and continue as before
  - m) Player "B" serves point 13 (right)
  - n) Player "D" serves points 14 and 15 (left then right)
  - o) Alternate players on alternate teams will continue to alternate two serves apiece until one team establishes a margin of two (2) points
  - p) Teams change ends for one game to start the next set with "C & D" to serve the first game of the new set.
  - q) The set shall be recorded as 7 games to 6. The tie-breaker game shall count as one game for the ball change, except that, if the balls are due to be changed at the beginning of the tie-breaker, the change shall be deferred until the second game of the following set.

### VIII) Trophies and Awards

- A) Region.
  - 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up at each region.
  - 2) Awards will be given to winning and runner-up singles players and doubles teams at each regional meet.
  - 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the regional meet.
- B) State.
  - 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state tournament.
  - 2) Awards will be given to the winning and runner-up singles players and the two other semi-finalist singles players at the state meet.
  - 3) Awards will be given to the winning and runner-up doubles teams and the two other semi-finalist doubles teams at the state meet.
  - 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

### IX) Finances

- A) Region
  - 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
  - 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.
- B) State
  - 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
  - 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state tournament.

### X) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules

- A) Specifications for Tennis Courts
 

The specifications for recommended and required standards for tennis facilities to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.
- B) Additional Rules for Contests
 

Additional rules developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the

membership when relevant.

### XI) School Personnel to Accompany Team

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Track Meets

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

## **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

### **A) CLASSES**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor post-season competition in cross country and track for boys and girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. The state shall be initially divided into three classes based on a multiple-year average enrollment, with each class containing seven (7) regions. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for boys' and girls' cross country and track is as follows —

### **CLASS 1A (0-610 average students)**

REGION 1 - Ballard Memorial, Carlisle County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian, Crittenden County, Dawson Springs, Fort Campbell, Frederick Fraize, Fulton, Fulton County, Heath, Hickman County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Mayfield, Murray, Reidland, Russellville, St. Mary, Todd County Central, Trinity (Whitesville), University Heights

REGION 2 - Campbellsville, Caverna, Clinton County, Cumberland County, Glasgow, Green County, Hancock County, McLean County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County, Owensboro Catholic,

REGION 3 - Bardstown, Beth Haven, Bethlehem, Brown, DeSales, Evangel Christian, Fort Knox, Whitefield Academy, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day, Kentucky School f/t Blind, Louisville Collegiate, Portland Christian, St. Francis, Walden

REGION 4 - Beechwood, Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Covington Latin, Dayton, Heritage Academy, Holy Cross (Covington), Ludlow, Newport, Newport Central Catholic, Silver Grove, St. Henry, Villa Madonna, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

REGION 5 - Augusta, Bracken County, Burgin, Carroll County, Danville, Deming, Eminence, Frankfort, Gallatin County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Lexington Christian, Nicholas County, Owen County, Paris, Sayre, St. Patrick, Trimble County

REGION 6 - Barbourville, Berea, Harlan, Lynn Camp, Middlesboro, Model, Monticello, Oneida Baptist, Pineville, Red Bird, Somerset, Williamsburg

REGION 7 - Allen Central, Bath County, Betsy Layne, Buckhorn, Cordia, David School, Elliott County, Fairview, Hazard, Jackson, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Lee County, Menifee County, Owsley County, Paintsville, Phelps, Piarist, Pikeville, Raceland, Riverside Christian, Rose Hill, Shelby Valley, South Floyd, Wolfe County

### **CLASS 2A (611 average to 1024 average students)**

REGION 1 - Caldwell County, Calloway County, Hopkins County Central, Hopkinsville, Logan County, Lone Oak, Muhlenberg North, Muhlenberg South, Paducah Tilghman, Trigg County, Union County, Webster County

REGION 2 - Adair County, Allen County-Scottsville, Breckinridge County, Butler County, Edmonson County, Elizabethtown, Franklin Simpson, Hart County, Larue County, Marion County, Taylor County, Warren East, Washington County

REGION 3 - Atherton, Bullitt East, Central, Christian Academy, Fairdale, Henry County, Jeffersontown, Mercy Academy, Moore, North Bullitt, North Oldham, Presentation, Shawnee, South Oldham, Spencer County, Valley, Western

REGION 4 - Bourbon County, Covington Catholic, Franklin County, Harrison County, Highlands, Holmes, Lexington Catholic, Lloyd Memorial, Pendleton County, Western Hills

REGION 5 - Bell County, Boyle County, Casey County, Corbin, East Jessamine, Estill County, Garrard County, Jackson County, Knox Central, Madison Southern, McCreary Central, Mercer County, Rockcastle County, Russell County, Wayne County, West Jessamine

REGION 6 - Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, East Carter, Fleming

County, Greenup County, Lawrence County, Lewis County, Mason County, Morgan County, Rowan County, Russell, West Carter

REGION 7 - Belfry, Breathitt County, East Ridge, Harlan County, Johnson Central, Knott County Central, Leslie County, Letcher County Central, Magoffin County, Perry County Central, Pike County Central, Powell County, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark

### **CLASS 3A (above 1025 average students)**

REGION 1 - Apollo, Christian County, Daviess County, Graves County, Henderson County, Madisonville North Hopkins, Marshall County, Owensboro

REGION 2 - Barren County, Bowling Green, Central Hardin, Grayson County, Greenwood, Ohio County, John Hardin, North Hardin, Warren Central

REGION 3 - Bullitt Central, Butler, Doss, duPont Manual, Iroquois, Male, Meade County, Nelson County, Pleasure Ridge Park, St. Xavier

REGION 4 - Assumption, Ballard, Eastern, Fern Creek, Oldham County, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Shelby County, Southern, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener

REGION 5 - Boone County, Campbell County, Conner, Dixie Heights, Grant County, Notre Dame, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton

REGION 6 - Anderson County, Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Scott County, Tates Creek, Woodford County

REGION 7 - Clay County, George Rogers Clark, Lincoln County, Madison Central, Montgomery County, North Laurel, Pulaski County, South Laurel, Southwestern, Whitley County

### **B) ENROLLMENT CRITERIA**

The basis for determining the schools to be placed in Class 1A, 2A, and 3A will be the average total enrollment in grades 9-12 of a coeducational school including all special education students for the four most recent years available for the entire membership at the time of classification. The Board of Control shall ensure that an upward adjustment is made for the enrollment of a school with less than a full high school course, and for schools enrolling boys only (double) or girls only (double).

### **C) CLASSIFICATION**

Initial classification is based on enrollment data verified by the Kentucky Department of Education for the two years through the enrollment of the 2006-2007 school year.

1) The enrollment data used to determine the class boundaries shall be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Education or other verifiable sources in the case of non-public schools.

2) The classification shall be reviewed for complete revision to begin with the 2012-2013 school year.

3) The schools shall be placed in enrollment ranked order (after adjustment for single-sex schools)

4) If the ranking and division leaves two or more teams with equal enrollments at the dividing point for class division, the Board of Control shall determine which teams go into each class. First preference is to use enrollment data at levels other than the top four (4) grades to determine the class boundaries. If the enrollment data does not yield a clear conclusion, the teams going into each class shall be drawn by random chance by drawing by lot or by coin toss.

### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

The Commissioner shall make the determination of the regional meet sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year meets. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites. If a region is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Commissioner shall establish a plan. All meets will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and already having a suitable facility for hosting the meet shall be allowed to apply, and only those competing in the current year will be allowed to vote for the region tournament location.

Schools interested in hosting a regional meet shall submit the meet information when requested by the Commissioner's office. The applicant shall verify that the facility meets any standards

established by the Games Committee and shall supply data relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Member schools are not permitted to practice for, travel to or participate in an interscholastic athletic contest during the six-hour school day. No Track and Field meet shall be scheduled at a time that would violate any part of the six-hour academic school day. During this time of graduations, etc, scheduling adjustments made known due to conflicts in advance, may need to be made.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Meet Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional meets, and shall serve as the manager for the state meet. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of regional managers to notify all schools participating in the meet as to the time and place of the meet, to supply them with entry blanks, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the meet. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

### IV) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play

To be eligible to compete in the regional or state meet, a contestant shall be enrolled in the seventh (7th) grade or higher and be otherwise eligible by all KHSAA Bylaws. For the 2008-2009 school year, a student below grade seven (7) may be entered in the regional or state meets only if that student was on the entry list for that school during the 2005-2006 regional meet.

To be eligible to compete in the regional or state meet in all events with the exception of Pole Vault, a contestant shall have competed in at least four meets (indoor or outdoor) involving a minimum of two schools on a team representing a member school during the regular season. For all events except for Pole Vault, such participation requirement is not event specific.

Schools desiring to enter athletes in the Pole Vault, shall have proof of completion of the Pole Vault Coaching Certification Course managed through [www.pvscb.com](http://www.pvscb.com). Such certification shall be current and shall be maintained when certification periods change. Only those coaches who have successfully completed the Pole Vault course may utilize any coaching box or additional coaching privilege afford to coaches by NFHS rules.

Athletes desiring to enter the Pole Vault shall have competed in Pole Vault at least four high school meets on a team representing a member school during the regular season. Such participation shall be verified to the regional manager using the required KHSAA forms. Athletes entering high school meets where only the Pole Vault is contested or meets where that school's only participation is Pole Vault may count that participation against the required four (4) meets and the school does not have to count that particular meet against its maximum number of meets allowed under Bylaw 25.

Athletes competing in high school meets (grades 9-12) and participating with a high school as a representative of that school irrespective of level of the meet shall be allowed to count that meet toward the four meet minimum. Coaches shall maintain and have available copies of all results for the regional manager to verify in case of a challenge to the required participation minimums by any athlete. Such individual meet verification (results) may be recorded on standard forms distributed by the Association in lieu of keeping individual results.

All entrants from a school accumulate team points toward the team championship in accordance with the provisions under part VIII, Champion.

### V) Contestants and Entry Procedure

A school may enter any eligible student-athlete in the postseason region meet. All entries in KHSAA postseason play shall be done electronically using the Association designated software application.

The electronic entry for contestants in the region meet shall be submitted not later than 9:00 p.m. four (4) days prior to the first day of preliminaries. For those regions holding preliminary competition in Pole Vault or other events at a different time, the entry deadline will be not less than four (4) days prior to that date for those events.

By 9 p.m., three (3) days prior to the regional meet, the manager shall distribute a preliminary Performance Listing to all coaches in the region, shall also submit the list via the UK listserve, and shall also submit to KHSAA for posting on web site.

By 9 p.m., two (2) days before the region, all coaches desiring to challenge a particular time shall have notified the regional manager as to the objection, and the regional manager shall thereafter resolve and determine the entry time.

By 9 p.m., one (1) day prior to the regional meet, the manager shall distribute a final Performance Listing to all coaches in the region, shall also submit the list via the UK listserve, and shall also submit to KHSAA for posting on web site.

Only in the case of documented medical emergency can these deadlines be waived.

An entry with no time entered for an athlete may be challenged.

The KHSAA impose a fine of \$100 against any school attempting to enter athletes after any published deadline.

A school may enter one or two contestants in each individual event and one team in each relay race at the regional meet.

Eight participants may be named to a relay team, any four of whom may be used in the preliminaries or in the finals. The same eight individuals are the only athletes eligible to be entered in that relay race at the state meet. Coaches may list a maximum of eight individuals on the relay entry, and then shall declare the runners that will run prior to each race. The same eight individuals are the only athletes eligible to be entered in that race at the state meet. Listing on the entry does not count as one of their events unless they actually report to the clerk. Being listed as an alternate does not count as one of the events for the athlete against the four-event limit. Only those relay contestants who actually participate will be considered official entries.

Any contestant whose name is on the eligibility list may be substituted for the original entry at a regional meet, prior to the deadline for scratch/add. After this time, the manager may only allow the substitution if the original entry is prevented from participating in the event because of circumstances beyond their control and with medical documentation.

In any meet, a contestant shall not compete in more than four events. Any number of these events may be relays. IF A COMPETITOR EXCEEDS PARTICIPATION LIMITS, THEY SHALL FORFEIT ALL INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM POINTS EARNED IN ANY EVENT AND SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM FURTHER PARTICIPATION IN THAT MEET.

The top two competitors in each event at the regional meet shall automatically qualify for the state meet along with the next four best times/heights/marks from the state-at-large. In addition, those contestants meeting the published time standards in accordance with the published guidelines shall also qualify for the state meet.

### VI) Officials (Regular and Postseason)

It is strongly recommended that a KHSAA licensed official (Track and Field), be present at each Track meet that counts toward the limit of meets in accordance with Bylaw 25. In any meet where more than four (4) schools are entering teams or individuals, there shall be a KHSAA licensed Track official. The fee shall be \$45 per division (one boys program of events and one girls program of events) for each of two licensed KHSAA officials for a standard school day or half-day (3 hours or less) weekend Track Meet. For larger meets that require longer than three hours, the fee shall be \$65 per each of the two licensed officials (Referee & Starter). If additional referees are hired at the discretion of meet management, they shall receive the same fee.

Track and Field Regional meet assigned officials shall be paid \$70 per division plus the Board of Control approved travel allowances. Only one official will be paid travel for the regional meet.

At the discretion and with the approval of the manager, the meet assigned referees shall be paid a mileage allowance for one car based on the mileage necessary. Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

The local management of the postseason track meets shall have

the authority to hire and utilize all licensed officials necessary for properly conducting the meets.

For the State Track meet, the Commission shall have the authority to hire and utilize all officials necessary for properly conducting the meets. Where possible, the Association will utilize KHSAA licensed track officials for the state meets. State Track officials will be paid according to position in accordance with a scale approved by the Commission in advance.

Final approval for all selections to the region and state meets shall be made by the Commission.

State track and cross country officials will be paid according to position in accordance with a scale approved by the Commission in advance.

#### **VII) Events**

All boys' regional meets as well as the state meet shall have the following events: 110 Meter High Hurdles, 100 Meter Dash, 4 x 200 Meter Relay, 1600 Meter Run, 4 x 100 Meter Relay, 400 Meter Dash, 300 Meter Low Hurdles, 3200 Meter Run, 800 Meter Run, 200 Meter Dash, 4x400 Meter Relay, 4x800 Meter Relay, Shot Put, Discus, Pole Vault, Triple Jump, Long Jump, High Jump.

All girls' regional meets as well as the state meet shall have the following events: 100 Meter Low Hurdles, 100 Meter Dash, 4 x 200 Meter Relay, 1600 Meter Run, 4 x 100 Meter Relay, 400 Meter Dash, 300 Meter Low Hurdles, 3200 Meter Run, 800 Meter Run, 200 Meter Dash, 4x400 Meter Relay, 4x800 Meter Relay, Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump, High Jump, Pole Vault, Triple Jump.

These events shall be conducted in metric measurements when possible. The traditional English measurements may be used when necessary. National Federation Track and Field Rules shall govern the competition.

#### **VIII) Uniform**

All contestants in Track and Field shall adhere to National Federation Rule 4-3 as it relates to the uniform of the competitors. In addition, the Games Committee for the State Cross Country and Track Meets may, within the allowable limits of Rule 4-3, establish clarifications and enhancements to the uniform requirement to ensure equal treatment of all competitors.

At present, the Games Committee has addressed the following areas for consistent enforcement by meet officials and which are applicable to all contestants. NOTHING ABOUT THESE REGULATIONS MANDATE A REQUIRED COLOR).

- 1) HEADS - Hats are not allowed however the toboggan or stocking cap/wrap are permitted in cold or hot weather. All head gear and holders shall be checked by the Meet Referee to make sure they are secure. Anything worn on the head shall be secure, designed for the head, and without a visible manufacturer's logo or other decoration (other than the school name / nickname).
- 2) TOPS - If shirts are worn under the school issued jersey by more than one team member (two or more), that apparel shall be exactly the same single solid color on all who choose to wear the undergarments. It is not necessary that all team members wear them. No lettering or designs or decals will be allowed on undershirts anywhere with the exception of a single manufacturer's logo which shall adhere to the NFHS restrictions. The restrictions on undershirts do not include sleeve length. For example one team member can wear long sleeves, one 3/4 sleeves and one short sleeves as long as they are the same solid color.
- 3) BOTTOMS - If leotards, body suits or bike shorts are worn under the school issued running trunks by more than one team member (two or more), that apparel shall be a single solid color and alike in color. Long underwear will not be accepted as a visible undergarment for either tops or bottoms. No lettering, designs or decals will be allowed on underpants anywhere, with the exception of a single manufacturer's logo which shall meet NFHS restrictions. The restrictions on pants do not include pants length. For example one team member can wear long pants, one 3/4 pants and one short pants as long as they are the same solid color.
- 4) HANDS - Gloves or socks may be worn on the hands during cold weather.
- 5) FEET - Shoes shall be worn. Shoes of different runners on the team do not have to be the same make and model. The use of ballet slippers, gymnastic or sweat socks does not meet the

requirements of this rule.

- 6) JEWELRY – No jewelry will be allowed to be worn per NFHS rules. Religious or medical medals can be worn in compliance with NFHS rules. A religious medal shall be taped to the body and worn under the uniform. A medical alert piece of jewelry shall be taped to the body and shall be visible. Wrist watches may not be worn during competition and are to be removed at or prior to the point of reporting to the Clerk. Violators of the watch restriction that are not detected by the Clerk or other meet officials shall be directed to immediately remove the watch and may not be otherwise penalized.
- 7) BODY MARKINGS / TATTOOS - A permanent tattoo that is not objectionable in the judgement of an official, would be allowed. A permanent tattoo that is objectionable in its content or form shall be covered. Anything non permanent including tattoos, face paint, etc. would not be legal if visible on any part of the body as it would be excessive body decoration.
- 8) SPORTS BRA – These items are considered foundation garments and are not to be considered as part of the uniform or undergarment rule.
- 9) SUNGLASSES- Unless prescribed by a medical doctor for the purpose of vision correction, sunglasses may not be worn during competition.
- 10) HIP NUMBERS – UNIFORM – When hip numbers are worn for purpose of assisting the automated timing system in region and state competition, the uniform topped shall be tucked into the shorts when the competitors are at the start.

#### **IX) Champion and Scoring**

Six (6) places shall count in scoring in each event at the regional meets with values of 10-8-6-4-2-1. Eight (8) places shall count in scoring in each event at the state meet with values of 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1.

The champion of each meet will be the team compiling the highest number of points in each meet.

#### **X) Trophies and Awards**

##### **A) Region.**

- 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up at each region.
- 2) Awards will be given to first six (6) finishers in each event at each regional meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the regional meet.

##### **B) State.**

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state meet.
- 2) Awards will be given to the first eight (8) finishers in each event at the state meet.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

#### **XI) Finances**

##### **A) Region**

- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

##### **B) State**

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
- 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state tournament.

#### **XI) Games Committee (Track Rule 3) Rules for both Regular and Post-Season**

##### **A) Specifications for Track Facilities**

The specifications for recommended and required standards for track facilities to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.

##### **B) Sector for Shot Put and Discus**

The sector for the Shot Put and Discus shall be marked at 34.92 degrees. All regular and postseason competition shall utilize this sector measurement, whether or not the event is held inside the oval.

##### **C) Additional Rules for Contests**

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise



developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.

**D) Regional Meet Entry Mark (Seeding) Requirements**

- 1) All coaches shall be able to verify times that are entered for an athlete in the regional meet.
- 2) Entry times for the regional meet may be FAT (Fully Automated Timing) or HT (Hand Times). All HT times shall be properly converted per NFHS Rule 3-9-4. If any HT is recorded in hundredths, it shall be rounded up to the nearest tenth of a second, and properly noted as a HT.
- 3) Any time which cannot be verified, cannot be used.
- 4) The only acceptable verification of meet results will be submission to the KHSAA web site.
- 5) Only meet results posted using Hytek Meet Manager Software and its formatting will be used for the purpose of seeding the region. In this manner, a statewide listing of performances can be maintained by multiple sources to validate seed times.
- 6) Only meets contested up until the day before entries are due will be used for the purpose of seeding the region. While other meets may be held per Bylaw 25, those meets may be used to satisfy the 4 meet minimum, but not used toward seeding.

**E) Regional Meet Format and Regulations**

- 1) All regional meets will follow the same time schedule.
- 2) Regions running multiple meets at the same site will be required to run them consecutively, not concurrently.
- 3) The fast heat/section in all races shall be full (use all lanes), even if this leaves a single competitor in the slower heat.
- 4) Each of the regional meets will be conducted in one session and use the same standard schedule including field events.
- 5) The regional meets shall be held on Saturday or Tuesday (if that Tuesday is election day), unless there is an agreement among the participating teams to hold the meet on an alternate day. If an alternate day is selected, and any school is in session that day, the meet shall be held after 3 p.m. Conflicts with graduation ceremonies and the academic school day shall be avoided.
- 6) By consensus of the schools in the region through communication with the manager, the preliminaries in the Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put and Discus may be conducted using an Open Ring / Open Pit, "Cafeteria Style" format. In doing this, the manager would define a block of time and allow the competitors to check in, perform their trials without regard to a pre-defined order, and return to other events or event venues.
- 7) In order to use this Cafeteria Style, the manager would define a block of time where trials would be allowed. No more than ten (10) minutes following the closing of the pit/ring and the announcing of the finalist, the finals would begin in NFHS defined order.
- 8) The meet shall be scheduled at a time when there is not a conflict with instructional time at a participating school and all efforts shall be made to avoid conflict with the actual graduation exercises. It is impossible to avoid all conflicts, but managers are to afford member schools the same courtesy they would expect.
- 9) Any race where the initial leg (or total race) is 400 meters or less shall be started with blocks, and all competitors shall be required to properly use them.
- 10) All individuals placing sixth or higher in each event shall score team points in the regional meet.
- 11) Six places shall count in the scoring in each event at the regional meet with values 10-8-6-4-2-1.
- 12) The meet shall be made up of all of the events on the regional entry form.
- 13) No preliminaries will be conducted. All running events will be timed-final events, broken into sections according to NFHS rules.
- 14) In the running races where enough competitors are entered to cause the need for sections, the slower runners or relay teams shall be placed in the first section, with the faster competitors assigned to the last section (NFHS Rule 5-5-7).
- 15) The hurdle height for the girls 100m hurdles is 33" and the height for the boys 300m hurdles is 36"
- 16) In the case of a tie in field events, if all tie breaking procedures fail to break the tie according to the National Federation Rule

Book; competitors tying for second in the regional shall advance to the state meet.175) All regional meets and the state meet shall be conducted utilizing fully automated timing. In the event that the timing system fails for any reason, the NFHS provision for adjusting marks to be comparable shall be utilized.

**F) State Meet Automatic Qualifying Standards and Starting Heights**

- 1) Automatic Qualifying Standards are determined by the average fifth place time the last five years of State Meets.
- 2) The calculated FAT time standards represent the actual five year average.
- 3) Automatic Qualifying HAST Standards are derived by taking the five-year average electronic (FAT) time, reducing it by .24 and then rounding to the next tenth in compliance with Track Rule 3-9.
- 4) High Jump qualifying marks are rounded up to the nearest 2 inch mark above the five-year average for boys.
- 5) High Jump qualifying marks are rounded up to the nearest 2 inch mark above the five-year average for girls.
- 6) Pole Vault qualifying marks are rounded up to the nearest 6 inch mark above the five-year average for boys.
- 7) Pole Vault qualifying marks are rounded up to the nearest 6 inch mark above the five-year average for girls.

**G) State Meet Starting Heights and Marks**

- 1) Pole Vault starting height at state meet will be 2 feet below Class Automatic Qualifying Standard for boys.
- 2) Pole Vault starting height at state meet will be 2 feet below Class Automatic Qualifying Standard for girls.
- 3) High Jump starting height at state meet will be 4 inches below Class Automatic Qualifying Standard for boys.
- 4) High Jump starting height at state meet will be 4 inches below Class Automatic Qualifying Standard for girls.
- 5) Games Committee reserves the right per NFHS rules to adjust starting height due to unforeseen conditions

**H) State Meet Format**

- 1) The State Meet will be conducted in one day, with all running events being timed finals
- 2) There will be one session on Friday, two sessions on Saturday. KHSAA staff is to determine class placement and distribute to schools.
- 3) There will be no practice date prior to the State Meet
- 4) The standard order of events will be followed from the Rules Book with the fastest section running last
- 5) The 4 x 800 relay will be run in 2 sections, with 14 in the faster section, and 10 in the slower section
- 6) The 100/110 Hurdles, 100 Dash, 4x200 Relay, 4 x 100 Relay, 400 Dash, 300 Hurdles, 200 Dash and 4 x 400 Relay will be run in three sections, with the two fastest sections using all available lanes.
- 7) The 800, 1600 and 3200 runs will be run in one race each.
- 8) The State Meet will utilize at least three fully automatic timing systems

**I) Interrupted Meets**

When lightning or other inclement weather, heat and humidity conditions or other events beyond the control of meet management cause the interruption of a meet by the Meet Referee after it has begun, and the determination has been made that it cannot be resumed at the point of interruption, it shall be considered to be complete with respect to the counting against the maximum number of meets for a school or minimum number of required meets for an athlete. In addition, it shall be complete to the extent of the compensation for meet officials.

**J) Starter's Pistol Specifications**

The starter's pistol, which shall be a 32 caliber (22 for indoor track), shall meet all district, local, state and federal regulations including possession ordinances and registration requirements.

**XIII) School Personnel to Accompany Team**

In accordance with Bylaw 20, each school having participants in a KHSAA event shall send a school designee to accompany the team. This person shall be designated in writing by the Principal and approved by the local Board of Education.

*(See Case Situations on Page 98-99)*

## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS Governing Volleyball Tournaments

*(As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual basis)*

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

### **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in volleyball for girls, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to September 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment for volleyball is as follows

#### **REGION 1**

District 1 – Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County

District 2 – Heath, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland

District 3 – Ballard Memorial, Community Christian (Paducah), Graves County, Mayfield

District 4 – Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Marshall County, Murray

#### **REGION 2**

District 5 - Henderson County, Madisonville-North Hopkins, Hopkins County Central, Union County

District 6 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

District 7 - Caldwell County, Crittenden County, Livingston Central, Trigg County

#### **REGION 3**

District 8 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic

District 9 – Breckinridge County, Grayson County, Hancock County, Meade County,

District 10 – Butler County, McLean County, Muhlenburg North, Ohio County, Trinity (Whitesville)

#### **REGION 4**

District 11 – Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central

District 12 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, Warren Central, Warren East

District 13 – Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Edmonson County, Glasgow

District 14 – Clinton County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County

#### **REGION 5**

District 15 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin

District 16 - Caverna, Green County, Hart County, Larue County

District 17 – Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Washington County

District 18 – Adair County, Campbellsville, Marion County, Taylor County

#### **REGION 6**

District 19 - Central, Portland Christian, Mercy, Presentation, Shawnee

District 20 – Butler, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Western

District 21 - Beth Haven, Doss, Fairdale, Valley

District 22 – Evangel Christian, Iroquois, Male, Southern

#### **REGION 7**

District 23 – Atherton, Brown, DuPont Manual, Louisville Collegiate, St. Francis

District 24 – Assumption, Sacred Heart, Seneca, Waggener, Walden

District 25 - Fern Creek, Jeffersontown, Moore, Whitefield Academy

District 26 - Ballard, Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Kentucky Country Day

#### **REGION 8**

District 27 - Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, North Bullitt, Spencer County

District 28 - Anderson County, Cornerstone Christian, Eminence, Henry County, Shelby County

District 29 - Carroll County, North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham, Trimble County

District 30 –Gallatin County, Grant County, Owen County, Scott County, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

#### **REGION 9**

District 31 – Boone County, Conner, Cooper, Heritage, Ryle

District 32 – Dixie Heights, Lloyd Memorial, St. Henry, Villa Madonna

District 33 – Beechwood, Covington Latin, Ludlow, Notre Dame

District 34 – Calvary Christian, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Scott, Simon Kenton

#### **REGION 10**

District 35 – Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic

District 36 – Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Nicholas County

District 37 – Bishop Brossart, Campbell County, Pendleton County, Silver Grove

District 38 – Augusta, Bracken County, Deming, Harrison County, St. Patrick

#### **REGION 11**

District 39 – Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County

District 40 – East Jessamine, West Jessamine, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian

District 41 – Henry Clay, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Tates Creek

District 42 – Berea, Bryan Station, Madison Central, Madison Southern

#### **REGION 12**

District 43 – Boyle County, Casey County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Lincoln County

District 44 – Danville, Garrard County, Mercer County

District 45 – McCreary Central, Monticello, Russell County, Wayne County

District 46 – North Laurel, Pulaski County, Somerset, South Laurel, Southwestern

#### **REGION 13**

District 47 – Clay County, Jackson County, Oneida Baptist Institute, Red Bird, Rockcastle County

District 48 – Bell County, Harlan, Harlan Co., Middlesboro

District 49 – Corbin, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Whitley County, Williamsburg

#### **REGION 14**

District 50 – Cordia, Jenkins, June Buchanan, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central

District 51 – Breathitt County, Buckhorn, Hazard, Leslie County, Perry County Central

District 52 – Estill County, Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County

#### **REGION 15**

District 53 – Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark

District 54 – Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg, South Floyd

District 55 – East Ridge, Pikeville, Shelby Valley

District 56 – Belfry, Phelps, Piarist, Pike County Central

#### **REGION 16**

District 57 - Bath County, Fleming County, Rowan County

District 58 – East Carter, Morgan County, West Carter

District 59 – Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Russell

District 60 – Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Fairview, Rose Hill Christian

### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall determine the dates and sites of the district and regional tournaments as well as the state tournament. All tournaments will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Schools interested in hosting a district or regional tournament shall submit their request in writing prior to June 1 of the tournament year. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner.

Criteria to be considered by the schools for the district tournament

include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; and adequate parking for projected attendance.

The Commissioner shall determine the regional tournament sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year tournaments. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites.

A two-thirds vote is necessary to adopt any plan for recommending the regional tournament sites and voting shall include all schools within a region, not simply the schools playing in a particular year's event. Criteria to be considered by the schools include but are not limited to- satisfactory capacity within the facility to safely accommodate past (five years) and expected attendance numbers; an officials dressing room; adequate locker rooms; and adequate parking for projected attendance.

In addition, the schools shall agree on the amount of proceeds (if any) that is to be kept by the host school as well as limitations on expenses by the host school; determining the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each school that participates; the fixed amount or percentages to be given to each team in the region not competing in the tournament; and the disbursement of any proceeds from commissions, parking, advertising and any other revenue related to the tournament but not directly related to ticket, program or novelty sales. Resolution as to disputes on any of these issues may be facilitated by the Commissioner's office and if agreement cannot be reached, may be considered by the Board of Control.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state tournament after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

### III) Tournament Managers

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the district and regional tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each district and regional tournament manager to invite representatives of the participating teams in the tournament to a meeting held for the purpose of conducting the draw, and finalizing tournament plans.

It is also the duty of the district and regional manager to supply each school with information concerning the tournament including, but not limited to the date, time, place, admission, dressing facilities, etc. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. In addition, it shall be the duty of the manager of each contest in soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball to contact the KHSAA Scoreboard with the final results following each contest. This is in addition to fulfilling local media requests. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

The Commissioner will direct a drawing and handle all of the arrangements necessary to conduct the state tournament.

### IV) District Tournament Seeding Regulations

A) For district tournaments with three teams, the district tournament shall be seeded in accordance with the following three-team seeding regulations:

- 1) Each team in a three-team district is required to play the other two teams in the district in two contests each year, at mutually agreed sites. These games will produce a uniform means of ranking the teams by seed within these districts.
- 2) The team with the highest seed (one seed) receives a bye in the district tournament, and advances to the championship game.
- 3) The remaining two teams would play in the first round of the district tournament with the loser of that game being eliminated.
- 4) In the case of a two-way tie for the district winning position,

the winner in the second game played between the tied district opponents would have the higher finishing position.

- 5) In the case of a three-way tie for the district winning position, the tie would be resolved in the following manner. If any of the tie-breakers results in one of the teams being ahead of the other two, the tie is broken. If any of the tie-breakers result in two teams remaining ahead of the third, then the two-way tie breaker shall be used to determine the winner between those two.

a) The tie-breaking mechanisms (in order) shall be:

- i) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the second game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
  - ii) If the tie remains between all three teams, the record in the first game played against all district opponents involved in the tie.
  - iii) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in all seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
  - iv) If the tie remains between all three teams, then the total points allowed in the second of each of the seeded games shall be the next tie-breaker.
  - v) If the tie is still unbreakable, then a blind draw among the three teams shall break the tie.
- b) Additional tie-breaking mechanisms may be added, and would be uniform for all three-team districts.

- B) For district tournaments with four or more teams, the district tournament brackets may be drawn by random lot or placed into the bracket using a seeding system. A majority vote (recorded in writing) of the Principals, Athletic Directors or Designated Representatives of the schools in the district is required in order to make or change seeding decisions. In the absence of any documentation, minutes or other verification, the districts shall not be seeded. The regulations concerning the seeding of a district with four or more teams are as follows:

- 1) The decision to seed and the method used in seeding (including all tie-breakers) shall be determined by majority vote of the participating teams in the district and the manager shall record this vote in writing and submit it to the Association. The representatives making the written declaration shall decide all issues related to seeding.
- 2) Seeding methods shall be determined prior to the start of the regular season, recorded in writing with a copy provided to the KHSAA, and shall remain in place until a majority vote of the participating schools rescinds or changes the seeding decisions. Such changes to the district seeding plan may not be made for the current year once play has begun in the regular season.
- 3) In the event of dispute, the current copy on file with the KHSAA shall prevail in determining resolution.
- 4) Seeding plans may, at the discretion of the majority vote of the schools, stipulate a particular team to a particular seeded position.
- 5) It shall be the district tournament manager's responsibility to update the Association with respect to any changes to the seeding decision or method being used and any relevant tiebreakers. In the absence of this documentation, consultation with, and written verification and documentation from, prior year tournament managers, will be utilized by staff to assist with interpretation and clarification.
- 6) There is no statewide regulation on a seeding method once the determination has been made to seed. Some of the more common and recommended means of seeding is the record of games played within a district provided all teams have played all other teams. In that case, each district shall adopt tie-breaking procedures in the event that the primary method of seeding results in a tie or other situations arise which cause an alteration in the scheduled seeding method. Among the more common tie-breaking methods are 1) seeding by overall win-loss record; seeding by win-loss record in specific contests, 3) seeding by a rating/ranking from a statewide poll, 3) seeding by a majority vote, 4) seeding by a committee, and 5) seeding by a rating turned in by each school.
- 7) If win-loss records are used for seeding, the records used shall be the records as of the date of the pre-tournament meeting

as published on the KHSAA memorandum calendar. Teams and school representatives may meet during the regular season to discuss tournament operations (i.e. dates, times, sites, tournament personnel needs, etc.). However if an organizational meeting is held prior to the published date on the calendar, no discussions may be held regarding the bracketing or pairings of specific teams unless all mandated seeded games have been played prior to the meeting. Games played after the published meeting date SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.

- 8) Seeded games unable to be played for any reason (with the exception of verified forfeited contests) prior to the published date for the district tournament meetings will be recorded as a win and a loss for both teams in computing seeded position.
- 9) If a change in the alignment of teams moves a single new team into a previously seeded district, the previous decision as to seeding shall prevail. If the new team enters the alignment following the completion of all game contracts and the new team is unable to schedule all required opponents, the new team shall be seeded in the last position for the current season, and shall be included in seeded game scheduling for the subsequent seasons.
- 10) If a change in the alignment of teams moves more than one team into a seeded district, the district teams shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote will result in the seeding decision remaining the same.
- 11) If the Board of Control approves a total realignment of teams within a district, the teams in the district shall conduct a new vote as to seeding. A tie vote in this situation shall result in the district being not seeded.

#### **V) Tournament Meetings and Pairings**

A) District (non-seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams. The principal or his/her representative shall conduct the drawing for each school. The pairings for the district tournament shall be made in accordance with the following procedure, with all byes being arranged to be in the first round:

- 1) The number of places to be considered shall be four, eight, sixteen, thirty-two, etc. Of the above numbers, the one that is next greater than the number of teams in the drawing shall be considered in the drawing. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket.
- 2) If the number of teams in the drawing is less than the number of places to be considered, the even number 2 shall be designed as the first bye; the largest even number as the second bye; number 4 as the third bye; the next largest even number as the fourth bye; and so on until the number of places not so designated equals the number of teams in the drawing. The places shall be determined by drawing by lot, the numbers assigned to the "byes" having been first taken from the numbers to be drawn.
- 3) The teams which pair with "byes" shall have a rest period during the first round of the playing of games in the tournament.
- 4) The winner of the No. 1 and No. 2 games shall play the winner of the No. 3 and No. 4 game. The winner of the No. 5 game and No. 6 game shall play the winner of No. 7 and No. 8 game. The two winners shall play for the championship. The same general procedure shall be used in the case of more than eight places or teams.
- 5) The top two teams in each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.

B) District (seeded). The district meetings shall be held in the school designated as the tournament host not later than the second Sunday prior to the week of the tournament as specified on the KHSAA Memorandum Calendar. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all seeded district games.

- 1) After seeding positions have been determined, the seeded bracket pairings shall be observed. The teams shall be placed in the proper position of the appropriate single elimination bracket. The brackets (from top down) are as follows:
  - a) 3 Teams – Seed 2 plays 3, Seed 1 plays winner of Seed 2 vs. Seed 3 for championship.

- c) 4 Teams - Seed 1 plays 4, 2 plays 3, winners meet for championship.
- d) 5 Teams - Seed 5 plays 4, 1 plays winner of 5 vs. 4, 2 plays 3, remaining winners meet for championship.
- e) 6 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 plays winner of 3 vs. 6, remaining winners meet for championship.
- f) 7 Teams - Seed 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 plays winner of 4 vs. 5, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.
- g) 8 Teams - Seed 1 plays 8, 4 plays 5, 2 plays 7, 3 plays 6, 1 vs. 8 winner plays 4 vs. 5 winner, 2 vs. 7 winner plays 3 vs. 6 winner, remaining winners meet for championship.

2) The district champion and the runner-up of each single elimination tournament shall advance to the regional tournament.

#### **C) Region.**

1) The regional meeting shall be Sunday following the conclusion of the district tournaments not prior to 2:00 local time in the school designated as the host. These meetings may be held earlier by mutual agreement of all teams, but not prior to the completion of all district tournament games.

2) For the regional tournament, the pairings shall be made in the following order from the top of an eight-team single-elimination bracket and shall be made in accordance to the following procedure.

- a) In a regional tournament with participants from four districts, the district winners will draw for positions 1, 3, 5 and 7 in a standard eight-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will draw for a position in the opposite bracket.
- b) In a regional tournament with participants from three districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The format will follow a standard eight-team bracket with two byes, those falling into positions 2 and 7. The district winners shall draw for positions 1 and 8 in the bracket. The district winner not drawing a bye shall draw for a position in slots 3 through 6. The district runner-up to the district champion drawing for position in slots 3 through 6 will draw into one of the two remaining slots in the bracket opposite the district winner, and the remaining two runner-up teams will be placed opposite their corresponding district winners in the remaining two slots in the bracket.
- c) In a regional tournament with participants from two districts, the draw shall be conducted as follows. The district winners will draw for positions 1 and 3 in a standard four-team bracket. Each corresponding runner-up team will be placed in the position in the opposite bracket from the district winner.

3) The winner and runner-up of each single elimination regional tournament shall advance to the state tournament.

D) State. The Commissioner shall conduct a blind draw to determine the pairings for each state tournament.

#### **VI) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play**

To be eligible to compete in the district, region or state tournament, a member school team shall have competed in at least two matches during the regular season.

#### **VII) Contestants**

Each school shall submit a properly identified team photograph in compliance with published deadlines and directives. A school shall enter an unlimited number of contestants on an electronic roster via the KHSAA web site and online participation tracking system. This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve as the preliminary list as referred in these regulations. On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play. After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a documented clerical error as referred to in Bylaw 14.

A school may enter a team composed of fifteen (15) players in each post-season tournament game that shall be players who appeared on the eligibility list submitted online. The fifteen (15) players shall be designated each game, and no other players may be in uniform.

#### **VIII) Officials (Regular and Postseason)**

For regular season play, volleyball officials are to be paid \$37.50 per match. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage.



Officials for all KHSAA sponsored state championship competition shall be assigned by the Commission. Only licensed officials may be used for district, regional or state tournaments. Local associations may submit recommendations for postseason assignments to region, section and state tournament games. The final selection shall be made by the Commission.

District tournament officials shall be paid \$42.50 per match. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

Region tournament officials shall be paid \$47.50 per game. In the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per game.

The crew of officials are to be paid a mileage allowance for one car based on the mileage submitted to the manager by the association staff member in charge of the sport or his/her designee.

State tournament officials shall be paid \$52.50 per game.

Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

## IX) Rules

For all district and regional tournaments and the state tournament, National Federation Volleyball Rules shall be used with possible modification by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.

## X) Champion

The champion in each district tournament will be the team who wins the single elimination tournament. The champion in each regional tournament will be the team who wins the single elimination tournament. The champion in the state tournament will be the team undefeated in single elimination play.

## XI) Trophies and Awards

### A) District and Region

- 1) Trophies will be given to each district and regional tournament winner and runner-up.
- 2) The trophies at the district and region shall be paid from the gate receipts of that tournament.

### B) State

- 1) The state tournament champion, runner-up, and the two semi-finalist teams shall receive a trophy.
- 2) The state tournament champion, runner-up, and the two semi-finalist teams shall receive sixteen (16) individual medals.
- 3) An All-Tournament team will be selected at the state tournament along with a Most Valuable Player.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies at the semi-state and state tournaments.

## XII) Finances

### A) District and Region

The participating schools may adopt by majority vote, any plan that they desire for the distribution of receipts. If no plan can be agreed upon, the following shall prevail:

- 1) A mileage fee of \$1.00 per team per mile for each necessary trip may be allowed for travel expense. An allowance for one meal at \$5.00 per team member per trip to the tournament may be allowed.
- 2) The host school shall be allowed fifteen (15) percent of the gross ticket receipts derived from the district or regional tournament for rental of the gymnasium and other services rendered to include setup and clean-up charges and for paying documented incidental bills related to the tournament that are approved by the participating teams.
- 3) Prior to any additional distribution, the gross receipts, less the host designated share outlined in subsection (2), shall be reduced by team travel expenses and the amounts paid for game officials and trophies.
- 4) The remainder of the profit shall be divided among the schools participating in the tournament and the non-participating schools in accordance with previously approved plans.
- 5) The host school may be allowed the profits made on programs, concessions, parking, etc.

### B) State

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament. The following allowances will apply if the receipts from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the Board of Control will determine

the allowance.

- 2) Expenses will be paid for meals, lodging and travel for each team through breakfast on the day following elimination from the tournament for each team.
- 3) The state tournament squad for purposes of reimbursement shall be limited to sixteen (16) persons, including the principal, coaches, team members and other personnel.
- 4) Schools failing to stay in the motel assigned by the Association shall forfeit the lodging allowance. Commuting teams shall be paid an allowance in accordance with pre-tournament instructions.
- 5) The rate to be reimbursed for state championship play is \$1 per mile (round trip), \$5 per meal per person, and a maximum of \$13 per person per night for lodging as approved.
- 6) After all expenses have been paid, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall retain profits from each state tournament.

## XIII) Withdrawal from Tournament

No school which enters a district, regional, or state tournament (draws for place) shall withdraw from the tournament or forfeit any of its matches, but shall play its entire tournament schedule. If a school withdraws from a district, regional, or state tournament at any time following the draw for district tournament positions or after the pairings have been determined in a seeded district, that school may be suspended from the Association for a period of twelve (12) months and shall be eliminated from postseason play for two years unless the Board of Control rules that sufficient grounds for withdrawal are submitted.

## XIV) Special Tournament and Regular Season Rules

### A) Specifications for Volleyball Courts

The specifications for recommended and required standards for volleyball facilities to be used in tournament play may be developed by Association staff and Advisory Committees and approved by the Board of Control.

### B) Additional Rules for Contests

Additional rules, governed by State Association adoption provisions in the National Federation Playing Rules or otherwise developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.

### C) Rally Scoring Rule

- 1) In tournaments using shortened matches (such as pool play) it is recommended they use either a 15 or 20 point rally scoring format.
- 2) For varsity competition in regular and post season play, a match shall consist of the best two-out-of-three games.
- 3) The first team to win two games shall be the winner of the match.
- 4) All games shall be to 25 points (no cap).
- 5) The third game shall not be played unless it is necessary to determine the winner of the match.
- 6) In all regular and postseason play, the rally scoring format shall be used.
- 7) It is recommended that non-varsity matches use a 21 point game format (best two-out-of-three games)

## XV) School Personnel to Accompany Team

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## KHSAA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Governing Wrestling Tournaments

*((As Adopted by the Board of Control for the 2007-2008 school year and considered for revision of event formats on an annual*



basis)

*(Case situations refer to rulings and interpretations used to interpret and administer these provisions which can be found in the Case Situation section of the Handbook. When possible, additional cross-referencing information has been included).*

#### **I) Assignment of Schools to Regions**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in wrestling for boys, provided that fifteen (15) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to November 1. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 1, 2008, the alignment is as follows —

REGION 1 - (WESTERN KENTUCKY) — Apollo, Caldwell County, Calloway County, Christian County, Daviess County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, Ohio County, Paducah Tilghman, Union County, University Heights

REGION 2 - (MID KENTUCKY) — Anderson County, Central Hardin, Danville, Fort Knox, John Hardin, Larue County, Nelson County, North Hardin

REGION 3 - (WEST JEFFERSON) — Bullitt Central, DeSales, Doss, Fairdale, Holy Cross (Louisville), Iroquois, Meade County, Pleasure Ridge Park, Shawnee, Southern, Valley, Western

REGION 4 - (CENTRAL JEFFERSON) - Atherton, Central, DuPont Manual, Kentucky School f/t Blind, Moore, Seneca, St. Xavier, Trinity (Louisville)

REGION 5 - (EAST JEFFERSON) - Ballard, Eastern, Fern Creek, Jeffersonton, Kentucky Country Day, North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham

REGION 6 - (NORTHERN KENTUCKY) - Boone County, Campbell County, Conner, Cooper, Dixie Heights, Holmes, Newport, Ryle, Scott, Simon Kenton

REGION 7 - (CENTRAL KENTUCKY) — Bourbon County, Bryan Station, Franklin County, Harrison County, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Madison Central, Montgomery County, Paul Dunbar, Bates Creek, Western Hills, Woodford County

REGION 8 - (EASTERN KENTUCKY) - Ashland Blazer, Harlan County, Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Letcher County Central, McCreary Central, Perry County Central, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark, Wayne County, Whitley County

#### **II) Dates and Sites for Tournaments**

The Commissioner shall make the determination of the regional tournament sites. Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit their request through the defined site selection process at prior year tournaments. The applicant shall supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's office may use this site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites. If a region is unable to resolve conflict over the plan, the Commissioner shall establish a plan. All tournaments will be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved in writing by the Commissioner.

Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and already having a suitable facility for hosting the tournament shall be allowed to apply, and only those competing in the current year will be allowed to vote for the region tournament location.

Schools interested in hosting a regional tournament shall submit the tournament information when requested by the Commissioner's office. The applicant shall verify that the facility tournaments any standards established by the Games Committee and shall supply data relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner. Member schools are not permitted to practice for, travel to or participate in an interscholastic athletic contest during the six-hour school day.

No wrestling tournament shall be scheduled at a time that would violate any part of the six-hour academic school day.

The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area

support.

#### **III) Tournament Managers**

The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the regional meets, and shall serve as the manager for the state meet. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. It is the duty of each manager to notify all schools participating in the meet as to the time and place of the meet, to supply him or her with entry instructions, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the meet. It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The Board of Control has approved the policy that the receipts of a tournament can be assessed (a fine levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

#### **IV) Weight Management, Certification and Control**

##### **A) Minimum Weight Determination and Reporting**

- 1) All athletes shall meet eligibility requirements including the development of a set minimum body weight. This weight is to be determined in joint consultation with the athlete, his/her parents, his/her doctor and the coach and may require an additional medical examination by a medical doctor.
- 2) An accepted method of determining this weight shall be used and the Commissioner shall approve the method. Any one of the four approved methods may be used in accordance with the weight management procedures, including skin-fold caliper testing; BOD POD® air displacement; Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis or Hydrostatic (under water) determination.
- 3) The NWCA (National Wrestling Coaches Association) online system shall be used to record and track the procedures.
- 4) The weight class in which an individual participates in postseason shall be determined using the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) online system between October 15 and the first regular season match.
- 5) The Head Coach of the team is responsible for maintaining a signed copy of the Alpha Report as the wrestling permission form. Each athlete subject to the sub-7% physician permission shall have a properly completed form processed, and the Head Coach shall send a copy of that form to the KHSAA prior to the first competition.
- 6) Failure to determine an athlete's minimum weight shall render the athlete ineligible for competition. Athletes without a minimum weight determination may not wrestle in competition or in practice after the first date for competition during the regular season.
- 7) The Head Coach or the wrestling program at a particular school may be penalized in accordance with Bylaw 33, and may be declared ineligible for competition for failing to submit minimum weight verification information in a timely fashion.
- 8) A wrestler may not compete on the day of the minimum body weight testing.
- 9) A wrestler may never be certified into a class which is below the minimum body weight determined by the wrestler, his/her parents, his/her coach and his/her doctor and verified by using the proper calculation forms.

##### **B) Weight Classes, Weigh-ins and Records**

- 1) Competition shall be divided into weight classes for regular and postseason competition as follows: 103, 112, 119, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 152, 160, 171, 189, 215 and 285.
- 2) The two-pound growth allowance will be added to each class boundary on December 25, thereby shifting the bounds of the class. The individual wrestler does not "receive" two pounds, the class weight limit is simply increased by two pounds..
- 3) For each round of the KHSAA postseason tournament, the two pound weight / growth allowance provisions from the National Federation Rules shall be used as such shall be added on December 25.
- 4) A certified scale shall be used to verify weight at all matches (regular and postseason). Scales which do not display current certification or for which current documentation is not available shall not count toward the wrestler's weigh-in requirements but shall count as though the wrestler weighed 288.
- 5) If an athlete competes in a match where no certified scale was

available, the weigh-in counts as a "miss" in all fourteen weight classes with respect to achieving a desired weight class weigh-in.

- 6) A member school representative may not compete in any match where a weigh-in is not conducted and recorded.
- 7) The Head Coach of each team shall be responsible for entering the complete competition schedule of the team prior to the first competition date, using the NWCA online system and shall maintain the accuracy of that schedule throughout the season.
- 8) The Head Coach of each team shall provide, for each competition weigh-in, a match weigh-in form produced by the NWCA online system showing the lowest applicable weight for each competing wrestler on the actual date of competition. Local event managers shall have in place an option to produce such listing in the event that the competing coach does not produce this report at weigh-ins. Any coach failing to produce this report shall have the weigh-ins recorded on an alternate form, and such shall be provided, by an opposing coach, to the KHSAA for review. Repeated failure to produce these required weigh-in reports shall be cause for suspension of the Head Coach from regular or post season competition or other penalty contained in KHSAA Bylaw 33 and may subject the team to ineligibility to enter the regional wrestling tournament.
- 9) Following each match, and prior to the next competition for the squad, each coach shall enter the actual scale weights of each wrestler who weighed in for the competition, using the NWCA online system. For multiple day competition within the same event, only the first day weigh-in is to be recorded. Repeated failure to enter scale weights prior to the next competition shall be cause for suspension of the Head Coach from regular or post season competition or other penalty contained in KHSAA Bylaw 33 and may subject the team to ineligibility to enter the regional wrestling tournament.

#### C) Certification into a Weight Class

- 1) A wrestler is certified into a particular weight class at any regularly scheduled match or tournament any time on or prior to the Saturday of NFHS week 30 by making base weight (including growth allowance after December 25) at an official weigh-in on a certified scale as long as that certified weight is not below the documented minimum weight and is at a time allowed by the minimum weight calculations. A wrestler weighing in on or prior to the Saturday of NFHS week 30 is continually certifying at the weigh-in weight.
- 2) Once a wrestler is certified into a particular weight class as of the Saturday of NFHS week 30, he/she may weigh-in only in that class and one class above. He/she is automatically re-certified into a higher weight class after the Saturday of NFHS week 30 by weighing in and qualifying for that class, but never into a lower weight class. After the Saturday of NFHS week 30, making base weight (including growth) two classes above any previously certified weight class automatically renders that wrestler ineligible for the remainder of the year to wrestle in the lower weight class (previous certified weight).
- 3) Please note that this rule is for weigh-ins, not matches. It is possible that a wrestler weighed in at a certain class weight for a match, but wrestled up during that match. That weigh-in would count for the lower, weigh-in class.

#### D) Weight Control

All coaches are cautioned that rapid reduction in weight can endanger the health of the student athlete and coaches are encouraged to keep current with all research in this area. The manager of each meet is to have each participant weighed and it is highly recommended that a physician examine each participant.

#### V) Eligibility to Enter Tournament Play

An athlete shall have a combination of four matches or four weigh-ins representing the high school during the current season in order to be eligible to enter the region.

All entrants from a school accumulate team points toward the team championship.

A school may list an unlimited number of entrants from a list of eligible athletes as possible competitors in the regional tournaments. Each of these potential entrants shall be entered via the NWCA online weight management system. This list shall include all names

of anyone who is to be eligible to participate in the postseason and shall be generated by the NWCA wrestling system.

A school may enter one participant in each weight class in the region tournament.

Each coach shall ensure that each athlete has a completed wrestling permission form on file with the school (the Alpha Report along with the sub-7% form if necessary). This form is to contain signatures from the athlete, the coach and the parents verifying compliance with all rules as well as the health care provider who did the minimum weight testing, and the doctor if the athlete is below 7%. These forms shall be brought to the entry/seeding meeting for submission and verification.

#### VI) Regional Seeding Meeting and Tournament

##### A) Attendance and Required Documentation

- 1) The specified reports from the NWCA system that show both the minimum weight and match by match weights shall be brought to the seeding meeting for the region tournament by the coach or designated school representative of each school desiring to participate.
- 2) A wrestler may not be entered in a region tournament unless the weigh-in verification records are completed via the NWCA system.

##### B) Seeding Meeting Procedures

- 1) The regional manager will coordinate a meeting of participating coaches for the purpose of making region pairings in each weight class by seeding the participants.
- 2) The Advisory Committee member from the specific region shall chair the meeting and be responsible for compliance with the Tournament rules.
- 3) Each school shall have a representative at the seeding meeting for the region tournament or that school may not enter wrestlers.
- 4) Those present at the meeting may conduct the business of the region meeting including completion of the seeded brackets. If votes are taken, each school may only have one vote.
- 5) Collectively, the schools shall decide the seeded wrestlers in each weight class. For regions without an adopted seeding plan, the following criteria may serve as a guide:
  - a) Head to head competition between contestants.
  - b) The record against common opponents;
  - c) A contestant with a better overall record;
  - d) A contestant with an exceptional record against acknowledged strong competition;
  - e) A returning champion or runner-up in the same weight class;
- 6) The member school representatives DO NOT HAVE authority to waive the tournament rules or create new ones for the basic entry, bracket and scoring procedures
- 7) Following the initial seeding, the tournament manager and the regional Advisory Committee member shall develop the preliminary bracket.
- 8) Once the regional seeding meeting is complete, no alterations can be made to the seeding except per Section (C) below.

##### C) Regional Tournament Format

- 1) After the seeding is completed, a coach may choose to designate a wrestler into another class by notifying the manager prior to the beginning of weigh-ins.
- 2) Once weigh-ins begin, an athlete may not be entered into a lower class than previously entered by the coach as the scales will have closed on that previous class.
- 3) An athlete missing weight at the region weigh-ins may be replaced in that weight class by any eligible member of the team who is on the NWCA online Alpha Master report, who meets the qualifications per the minimum weight guidelines, who has participated in four high school matches or bouts, who is eligible by the KHSAA Tournament Rules, and who is eligible by all other weight qualification rules including a valid weigh-in at the region. The wrestler missing weight may be moved to either of the weight classes for which his/her scale weight permits. The wrestler missing weight, if not replaced by another wrestler from the same squad, creates a bye in the bracket, and if necessary, brackets may need to be re-drawn to accurately reflect seeding.
- 4) Once the scales are closed, entries are considered final. At



that point, any further withdrawal from the tournament series constitutes a forfeit.

- 5) If any entered wrestler (seeded or otherwise), due to action of the coach prior to or after weigh-ins, changes weight classes, then the regional committee member and tournament manager shall convene all coaches for a supplemental meeting after the scales have closed for 285 pound class.
  - 6) At that short supplemental meeting the participating coaches shall vote to determine if the wrestler who was seeded in a former class shall now be seeded in his/her entered class or if any other wrestler changing classes since the first entries were submitted necessitates an additional seeding discussion..
  - 7) No other wrestling seeding decision from the original seeding meeting is able to be discussed or reconsidered as those are final upon conclusion of the seeding meeting.
  - 8) After this supplemental meeting is completed, the regional committee member and manager shall ensure that the proper bracket is completed for each class according to the bracketing guidelines.
  - 9) All regional wrestling brackets shall be placed in the proper 4-, 8- or 16-person bracket. A 12-person brackets may not be used as the NFHS wrestling rules require a bracket of a power of 4.
  - 10) Each weight class shall be considered separately as to bracket size. A weight class with 1-4 wrestlers shall use a 4-person bracket; 5-8 wrestlers shall use an 8-person bracket and 9-16 shall use a 16-person bracket.
  - 11) There will be a full wrestle-back tournament in each weight class at the region tournament.
  - 12) The region tournament will be wrestled and scored to six places in each bracket.
- B) State.
- 1) The top four wrestlers in each weight class shall advance from the regional tournament into the state tournament. In the event that a seeded wrestler is not able to participate in the state tournament due to injury or other reason beyond the control of the wrestler, the appropriate seeded wrestler(s) will be moved up in the seeding, and the fifth place wrestler from the regional tournament will be seeded fourth.
  - 2) There shall be a rotation system developed that attempts to ensure that there are no byes in the state tournament by rolling into the tournament, the fifth place wrestler from a randomly selected region if the qualifying region has less than five wrestlers or the fifth place wrestler is unavailable and a replacement is needed.
  - 3) Notification of situations of this type where substitutions are made shall be made to the Commissioner immediately with further notification to all effected coaches.
  - 4) Wrestlers unable to compete may be replaced prior to weigh-ins, and such shall not constitute a forfeit. Other positions shall be rotated up in the bracketing. Wrestlers missing weight at the State tournament shall constitute a forfeit.
  - 5) There will be a full wrestle-back tournament for each weight class at the state tournament.
  - 6) The Commissioner shall draw each weight class individually for the pairings at the state tournament.
  - 7) The state tournament will be wrestled and scored to eight places.

## VII) Rules

The National Federation of State High School Association Rules will be used at all tournaments.

## VIII) Officials (Regular and Postseason)

For regular season play, the fee shall \$40 per standard dual match. For a double dual, the fee shall be \$70 per official. For a tri-meet, the fee shall be \$90 per official. For a quad, which shall use a minimum of two officials, the fee shall be \$90 per official. For a one-day 16-person bracket tournament, the fee shall be \$160 per official. For a two-day, 24-person bracket tournament, the fee shall be \$220 per official and for a two-day, 32-person bracket, the fee shall be \$245 per official. Fees for other meet formats not mentioned shall be negotiated with the local official(s) by the school. The host school is responsible for the full complement of officials but shall work with the local assigning secretary if one is retained by the local policy board. The local regional policy board may approve a supplement for incidental expenses such as travel and mileage.

Only officials licensed with the Kentucky High School Athletic Association may officiate in the regional or state meet. The Commission shall assign all officials to region and state competitions. Only a Level 2 or 3 official may officiate the regional or state tournament. Exceptions shall be approved by the Commission.

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Additional postseason allowances for lodging, etc. shall be at the discretion of the tournament manager and shall be approved by the Commissioner.

## IX) Champion

The team that scores the greatest number of points during the tournament shall be declared the team champion. Team points will be awarded in accordance with the National Federation Rules Book.

## X) Trophies and Awards

### A) Region.

- 1) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up at each region.
- 2) Awards will be given to first six (6) placers in each weight class at each regional tournament and a Most Valuable Wrestler. There may not be a tie in balloting for the Most Valuable Wrestler.
- 3) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the regional tournament.

### B) State.

- 1) Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first, second, third and fourth at the state meet.
- 2) Awards will be given to the first eight (8) finishers in each weight class at the state tournament.
- 3) Awards will be presented to the competitor with the Quickest Pin, Most Pins in Least Amount of Time, and to the Most Valuable Wrestler.
- 4) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.

## XI) Finances

### A) Region

- 1) The finances of the regional meet will be managed at the regional level.
- 2) The regional competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared.

### B) State

- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
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